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TELEGRAMS.
CONDENSED.

TWO BULGARIAN ATTACKS EAST AND WEST OF FLORINA WERE SMASHED.
THERE HAS BEEN NO ENEMY COUNTER-ATTACK ON THE SOMME FRONT.
A STRONG GERMAN ATTACK ON THE THIAUMONT-FLEURY FRONT FAILED.
THE RUSSIANS MEET STUBBORN RESISTANCE NEAR VLADIMIR VOLINSK.
THE BRITISH HAVE ADVANCED BETWEEN MARTINPUICH & GUEDECOURT.
IN RECENT FIGHTING THE BRITISH LOSSES HAVE BEEN SMALL.
UP TO THE 20TH INST. AUSTRALIAN ENLISTMENTS TOTAL 319,000.
AUSTRALIANS FROM 21 TO 35 ARE TO BE CALLED UP FOR HOME DEFENCE.
KING CONSTANTINE HAS RECALLED PRINCE ANDREW FROM LONDON.
THE NEW GERMAN LOAN IS NOT QUOTED ON THE AMSTERDAM EXCHANGE.
THE RESULTS ARE ISSUED OF BOYS' SHOOTING FOR IMPERIAL SHIELD.
IT IS REPORTED THAT GREECE DECIDES TO DECLARE WAR ON BULGARIA.
FROM JULY 1 TO THE 17TH INST. THE FRENCH TOOK 34,500 PRISONERS.
FROM JULY 1 TO THE 17TH INST. THE FRENCH CONQUERED 113 SQ. MILES.
TREMENDOUS RAINS HAVE FLOODED 100 SQUARE MILES IN VICTORIA.

[All telegrams appearing in large type are the latest, having been received during the course of the day. Those in small type have come through over-night.]

CANADA'S SPLENDID OFFER.

[Reuter's Service to The "Telegraph."]

September 28, 12.55 p.m.

Reuter's correspondent at Ottawa states that the Canadian Government has offered to advance Great Britain ten millions sterling for payment of Imperial war supplies from Canada.

NATIONAL RIFLE ASSOCIATION RESULTS.

September 28, 1.15 p.m.

The National Rifle Association has issued this year's results of the Imperial Challenge Shield Competition for boys shooting with the small bore rifle; 323 teams in all parts of the Empire competed in the senior competition for boys over fifteen years of age, and 197 in the junior competition, representing a total of 59,000 boys.

New Plymouth High School, New Zealand, won the first prize in both competitions. A very large proportion of the fifty prizes in the senior competition was won by Australia, where the cadet system is in an advanced stage. The English teams were fairly prominent in the junior competition. The entries from Canada, South Africa and New Zealand show some increase over last year.

The Competition was founded in 1910 by Lieut Colonel Raymond Schumacher, of South Africa.

THE GREEK CRISIS.

Greece Decides to Declare War Against Bulgaria.

September 28, 2.45 p.m.

It is reported from Athens that Greece has decided to declare war against Bulgaria.

Greek Prince Recalled from England.

September 28, 2.55 p.m.

King Constantine has recalled Prince Andrew, who has been in London representing the views of the Greek Court.

NEW GERMAN WAR LOAN NOT QUOTED ON DUTCH EXCHANGE.

September 28, 2.55 p.m.

Reuter's correspondent at Amsterdam says:—Up to the present, nobody has ventured to introduce the new German War Loan on the Amsterdam exchange, whereas the French War Loan was successfully introduced.

THE AUSTRALIAN CONSCRIPTION REFERENDUM.

September 28, 5.30 p.m.

According to Reuter's correspondent at Melbourne, in the House of Representatives it was announced that the enlistments in Australia up to the 20th inst. were 319,000.

Mr. Hughes stated that the Conscription Referendum will be decided by a majority of votes and not by a majority of States.

Mr. Pearce announced that men of from 21 to 35 years of age will be called up for Home Defence on October 2.

IN THE BALKANS.

Bulgarian Attacks Smashed.

September 28 4.20 p.m.

A French official message from Salonica says:—Two Bulgarian attacks, east and west of Florina, were smashed.

THE RUSSIAN DRIVE.

Enemy Stubbornly Resisting.

September 28, 4.20 p.m.

A Russian communique states:—The enemy is stubbornly resisting our advance thirty-three miles south-east of Vladimir Volinsk.

THE DOMINIONS' RECOGNITION OF THEIR OBLIGATIONS.

September 28, 11.00 p.m.

An order, issued by His Majesty the King, subsequent to the first inspection in Great Britain of the Australians and New Zealanders, states that the successive contingents are a recognition by the Dominions of their obligations to the common defence.

TELEGRAMS.
THE ALLIED OFFENSIVE.

Strong German Attack Repulsed.

[Reuter's Service to The "Telegraph."]

September 28, 4.20 p.m.

A Paris communique states:—There were no enemy counter-attacks on the Somme.

A strong German attack on the Thiaumont-Fleury front was sanguinarily repulsed.

British Line Advanced at Various Points.

September 28, 6.00 p.m.

Sir Douglas Haig in a communique says:—Our line has been advanced at various points between Martinpuich and Guendecourt.

The fighting during the last few days has been singularly economical. Our losses are small, not only relatively to the importance of the gains, but absolutely. Our total casualties are not more than twice the number of enemy prisoners. One division, which had a specially difficult task, took as many prisoners as it suffered casualties.

We have established posts west and south-west of Eaucourt and l'Abbaye and within eight hundred yards of the latter village.

We have consolidated our position on the ridge north-east of Thiepval.

Summary of the Results of the Offensive since July.

September 28, 11.05 p.m.

According to Reuter's correspondent at Paris, a semi-official summary of the offensive on the Somme from July 1 to September 17 says:—We have taken 30,000 unwounded and 45,000 wounded prisoners, captured 144 guns and nearly fifty machine guns, and have conquered 113 square miles of ground, which exceeds the German gains in six months at Verdun.

The enemy has thrown over the Somme 310 battalions against the British and 312 against the French, of which 67 were new divisions.

Stirring Scenes at Thiepval.

September 22, 12.15 a.m.

Reuter's correspondent at Headquarters states that good progress was made at the beginning of the attack on Thiepval, but hard fighting developed. Machine-gun fire assumed terrible proportions.

The chief resistance came from a chateau, from which a furious fire checked the advance. Then a "Tank" lurched into action. Once it got on soft ground and appeared to be stuck, but it recovered and waddled, amid cheers, right up to the chateau, where it began a magnificent combat. The enemy machine gunners concentrated on the "Tank," which replied so vigorously that the fusilade soon slackened. The infantry crept up under cover of this contest, rushed the chateau and captured the Commandant and other survivors.

A furious struggle followed in the streets of Thiepval, around which a double artillery barrage kept the ring for the combatants.

[In the event of telegrams arriving too late for insertion on this page they will be found on Page 8 or on Extra].

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

JAPAN CLOSES BRANCH OF GERMAN BANK.

September 27, 2.10 p.m.

A Tokio message states that the authorities have closed the Yokohama branch of the Deutsche Asiatische Bank.

THE FALL OF TAIF.

September 27, 2.10 p.m.

Reuter's correspondent at Cairo states that the Sherif Abdulla reports to the Grand Sherif details of the occupation of Taif and Ghaleb.

The Turkish commander having agreed to the terms of capitulation and the booty in rifles, bombs and shells being large, Abdullah begs his Highness to treat the prisoners with kindness "for the eyes of the Mussulman world turn towards us."

SUCCESSFUL NAVAL AIR RAID.

September 27, 10.35 p.m.

It is officially announced that naval aeroplanes bombed and apparently hit enemy airship sheds at Evere, Berchen, St. Agatcie and Etterbeck, near Brussels.

Bombs struck buildings, presumably ammunition stores, close to the sheds at Evere, and heavy explosions took place. Large volumes of smoke were observed.

All the machines returned safely.

ELECTORAL REFORM MOVEMENT.

September 28, 12.35 p.m.

A conference will shortly be held to prepare a scheme of electoral reform, re-distribution of seats, and registration.

KITCHENER FUND'S COMMERCIAL SCHOLARSHIPS.

September 28, 12.35 p.m.

The Council of the Kitchener Fund has decided to establish commercial scholarships to enable Britons who have served in the forces, or the sons of dead or disabled men from the war to travel and study in the allied countries. The scholarships will be of the value of £150 yearly. This will be supplementary to the funds for the purpose of relieving disabled men.

TELEGRAMS.
THE ALLIED OFFENSIVE.

Heavy Enemy Losses.

[Reuter's Service to The "Telegraph."]

September 28, 2.15 a.m.

A Paris communique reports:—North of the Somme, after violent artillery activity the enemy strongly attacked our positions between Bouchavesnes and Abbe Farm. A brilliant French counter-attack rushed to meet the assaulting enemy waves, which were thrown back in disorder, with heavy enemy losses, including 250 prisoners, and eight machine guns.

We appreciably extended our progress east and south-east of Rancourt, and penetrated St. Pierre Vaast wood.

South of the Somme there was a fairly lively artillery contest in the Barleux district.

A brilliantly executed attack at the end of yesterday enabled us to carry a wood strongly held by the enemy east of Vermand Ovillers, forming a salient in our line.

Ten Thousand Prisoners in a Fortnight.

September 28, 2.20 a.m.

General Sir Douglas Haig reports excellent progress.

He states: To-day we carried north of Flers further enemy trenches on a front of 2,000 yards.

We are now level with the east side of Eaucourt L'Abbye.

There has been fierce fighting north-east of Thiepval, in the course of which we stormed and now hold an enemy work styled "Stuff Redoubt" on the main ridge 2,000 yards north-east of the village.

Over 1,800 rifles, four flammenwerfer, and many thousands of rounds of artillery ammunition and grenades were taken at Combles, in addition to large French captures of material.

The total number of prisoners for the fortnight is 10,000.

Two enemy aeroplanes and two kite balloons were destroyed yesterday.

Two of our machines are missing.

French President's Congratulations.

September 28, 2.45 a.m.

M. Poincare has telegraphed the King congratulating His Majesty upon the brilliant British success.

GENERAL BRUSSILOFF'S OPTIMISM.

September 27, 6.45 p.m.

A Petrograd message states that General Brussiloff is most confident.

He declares that we have reached the period where success is no longer estimated in territory captured, but in the number of enemy thousands rendered hors-de-combat. We have deprived the Austro-Germans of 800,000 men in four months and when the propitious moment arrives we shall make new big bounds forward, and overcome the shaken armies. The final victory will then be near.

IN THE BALKANS.

Serbians' Continued Successes.

September 28, 12.35 a.m.

Reuter's correspondent at Salonica states that the Serbian attacks have been successfully continued.

The enemy brought up reinforcements at Kajmakalan and attempted a series of futile counter-attacks. Many were made prisoners.

It was observed that the fresh Bulgarians were attacking under the influence of drink.

Greece Coming In?

September 28, 2.15 a.m.

Reuter's correspondent at Athens states that it is reported that a Council of Ministers, in agreement with the King, has decided upon military collaboration with the Entente.

Greek Battleship Joins Allied Fleet.

September 28, 2.20 a.m.

Reuter's correspondent at Athens states that the battleship Hydra has joined the Allied fleet.

Zeppelin Bombs Bukharest.

September 28, 2.20 a.m.

Reuter's correspondent at Bukharest reports that a Zeppelin and six German aeroplanes bombed the city and 40 were killed and 50 injured, including Boy Scouts.

Rumania Reports Fierce Fighting.

September 28, 2.45 a.m.

A Rumanian communique reports that fierce fighting continues south of Hermannstraat.

The Rumanians at Vulcan Pass attacked and drove back the enemy, who is retiring hastily northwards.

Matters are quiet at Dobrudja.

There is a cannonade along the Danube.

GERMANS PRODUCE ARTIFICIAL RUBBER.

September 28, 2.10 a.m.

According to Reuter's correspondent at Amsterdam, a Berlin telegram reports that the Germans have succeeded in producing artificial rubber, comparable with the best plantation rubber for durability and elasticity.

TELEGRAMS.
FLOODS IN AUSTRALIA.

A Town Submerged.

(Reuter's Service to The "Telegraph".)

London, Received, September 29.

Reuter's correspondent at Melbourne says:—A tremendous rainfall has caused the flooding of a hundred square miles in Victoria. The town of Mootoopna is practically submerged.

ONE AUSTRALIAN TO SEVEN GERMANS.

Unarmed Anzac's Great Fight at Pozieres.

"You see that chap down there in the cot next the ladder," said a company sergeant-major to a special correspondent who has been interviewing the wound at Southampton, "he's an Australian. His battalion was in the thick of the Pozieres fight, and they say he's going to be given a commission. I don't know. But I was talking last night to a chap in his platoon who was alongside him in the last fighting there, and he told me there was one traverse that chap got into where the Boches was too thick on the ground, as you might say, for him to work his bayonet.

"They reckoned they'd got him, of course; going to eat him. They'd got his rifle out of his hands; such a jam he couldn't draw back for a thrust, you see. An' they'd somehow got him down, when his mate came round the corner of the traverse. He says there was seven of the Boches.

"Well, what he saw was just the seven Boches, like in a football scrum, swaying to an' fro. He couldn't see his mate at all. His mate was underneath, you see. So this other chap, he just gives one yell an' starts in with his bay'nit. That made a bit of a break-away, as ye might say, an' after that the fun began.

"The chap who told me was a little bit of a fellow, could't ha' been more'n five feet five, another Australian, a light-weight. He hung on to his bay'nit, and put in plenty foot-work, keepin' clear. An' he says the way his mate—the big chap in the cot there—laid them Boches out was the eight of a life-time. He just downed 'em with his hands, an' the chap told me that when he got a Boche down, that Boche was done, he was'nt taking any more.

"Anyway, they took two of 'em prisoners, an' they couldn't take the other five because they was dead, dead as mutton. And the fellow told me that big chap did it all with his two hands. He's cut about a bit, you know; and they laid his head open for him, but—one man against seven, you know, an' them all armed! It takes some doing. The Sister tol' me he'd be all right in a week."—*Daily News.*

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TO-DAY.

V.R.C. Sports (Second Day); 4.30 p.m.
Bijou Theatre—9.15 p.m.
Victoria Theatre—9.15 p.m.
Palisade Theatre—9.15 p.m.
New Hongkong Cinematograph.—9.15 p.m.
Theatre Royal. — Howitt Phillips Co. present "Morals of Marcus," 9.15 p.m.

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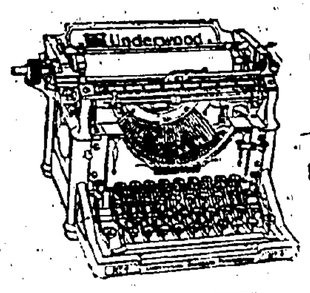

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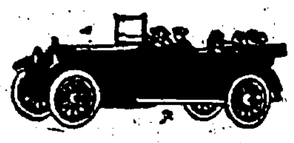

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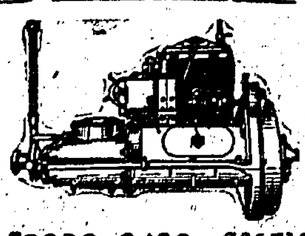

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GENERAL NEWS.

A Mission to the Clergy.

John Bull says that the League of the Man in the Street is about to establish a "Mission to the Clergy"—pointing out that "only amongst that body has there been no decrease of crime in recent years."

Hurricane in Chientao.

On September 2, a hurricane struck Chientao from the north-west. Hail fell as large as copper coins. The crops at the centre of the hurricane were almost completely ruined. A number of domestic animals were killed by the hail.

A Kerosene Discovery.

It is reported, says the *Nagasaki Press*, that a kerosene oil field has been discovered in Wakamatsu mura, Goto Islands, and that application has been made to the authorities for permission to prospect over an extensive tract of land.

Jute and the War.

A curious sidelight on the war is found in the great increase in the production of jute in India. This has been due, says the *Two Americas*, to the tremendous demand for bags for earthwork use. Before the war America was the largest purchaser of jute; now the warring nations get the bulk of this indispensable material.

A Curious Gun Accident.

Washington, September 22.—Admiral Mayo, commanding the first division of the U. S. Atlantic fleet, has reported that the muzzle of one of the 12 inch guns aboard the battleship Michigan was shattered during target practice. No one was injured. A naval board will be appointed to investigate the cause of the accident to the big gun.—*Manila Bulletin.*

Von Bissing's Son a Prisoner.

It is announced, says the *Daily Telegraph* Paris correspondent, that a well-known Prussian officer, and son of a notorious father, has been taken prisoner by the French troops. This is Lieutenant von Bissing, son of General von Bissing, who for months tyrannised over Belgium. The Prussian Herr Lieutenant was captured by a rustic French trooper of Normandy, a peasant from Calvados, whose name is Clement Bredelle.

Spies at the Vatican.

The *Resto del Carlino* states that in consequence of a strong suspicion that several German spies have succeeded in obtaining service in the Vatican, the Pope has ordered a strict census of all persons living or employed in the Apostolic Palaces, the returns being required to show the nature of their occupations, length of their occupations, length of service, nationality, antecedents, etc. The Pope has given permission for the Italian police to collaborate in the taking of the census in order that all suspected persons may be discovered. This action is being taken because several important Vatican secrets have leaked out during the past few months.

New Deputy-Director-General of Munitions.

London, August 18.—Mr. Leonard Llewelyn, the late general manager of the Consolidated Cambrian Collieries, Ltd., who relinquished that position to serve as Director of Material at Armament-buildings, has been promoted to the important position of Deputy-Director-General of Munitions, as well as of material. Mr. Leonard Llewelyn has discharged highly important national functions with conspicuous ability. Mr. Lloyd George, in his first Parliamentary review of the work of the munitions staff, stated that Mr. Llewelyn had saved the nation about fifteen millions of money. Mr. Llewelyn displayed unusual ability in connection with organisation of important collieries in South Wales, where for years he had many thousands of workmen under his direct control. He remains the consulting engineer (with a seat on the board) of the great combination of collieries known as the Cambrian Combine, of which Lord Rhondda is the controlling head.

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GENERAL NEWS.

Sir. W. Hood Treacher.

Sir Wm. Hood Treacher, K. C. M. G. who has led a very busy life in the rubber world since his retirement from the post of Resident General of the Federated Malay States, is resigning several of his directorships. Sir William desires to obtain some leisure, to which his previous labours certainly entitle him, and towards this end is curtailing his work responsibilities. All who know him or have been associated with him will wish that he may have good health for many years as an accompaniment to the rest he has earned.—Exchange.

Johore Gambling Scandal.

If reports which reach us are true there is quite a likelihood that the question of the Johore Gambling Farm and its effect upon the morals of Singapore may be raised in the House of Commons at an early date after the reassembling of Parliament, says the *Straits Echo*. There are many reasons why this is undesirable and we would urge the authorities to take time by the forelock and deal themselves with the matter before it can be brought up at Home. The whole press of the country is unanimous in condemning the scandal and has expressed its views on the subject with no uncertain voice. That it has led to much crime in Singapore seems to be pretty well established, while the trouble, inconvenience and discomfort occasioned to respectable people of both sexes travelling by rail to Johore Bahru is a disgrace to the Railway administration which allows its carriages to be commandeered by the gullible and unmannerly hordes who patronise the Gambling Farmer. A University in Singapore and a Gambling Farm in Johore Bahru make a nice creditable sort of front and back door arrangement.

NOTICES.

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HONGKONG CLUB.

NOTICE.

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13	502	860	1398	1683
78	507	862	1422	1707
79	516	869	1491	1709
85	518	885	1498	1718
92	554	886	1505	1749
99	556	903	1514	1764
105	560	927	1515	1767
133	571	935	1523	1770
159	595	965	1536	1771
174	600	974	1536	1779
203	604	1051	1543	1781
236	613	1060	1563	1833
266	632	1080	1582	1836
271	659	1092	1602	1883
277	663	1101	1607	1931
312	711	1116	1614	1932
339	714	1156	1630	1949
361	768	1170	1639	1958
384	780	1174	1646	1969
397	802	1209	1649	1986
408	806	1283	1664	1995
472	824	1310	1665	1997
482	835	1316	1682	1999

and will be payable at the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation on SATURDAY, Sept. 30, 1916, in exchange for surrender of same.

E. DES VOEUX,
Secretary.

Hongkong, September 22, 1916.

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THE SIXTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company, will be held at the Company's Office St GEORGE'S BUILDING HONGKONG on SATURDAY September 30, 1916, at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of presenting the Report of the General Managers, and Statement of Accounts to May 31, 1916.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from September 15 to 30, 1916, both days inclusive.

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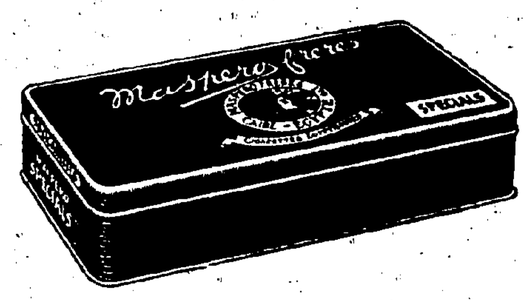

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HOLMES.—On September 28th, at 17, Kennedy Road, to Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Holmes, a son.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT.

Mr. D. McNEILL and FAMILY beg to thank their friends for their kindness and sympathy in their sad loss; also for floral tributes.

The Hongkong Telegraph.

HONGKONG, FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 1916.

REGISTRATION OF SERVANTS.

In spite of the manifest advantages of a system whereby native servants are compelled to register themselves—advantages upon which we have often dilated—Hongkong still drags along in the old way, and consequently finds itself at the mercies of a class which, because of the existence of no adequate machinery for controlling its members, continues to give the average European housewife unending trouble and anxiety. We referred some little time back to the servants' registration movement which has been set on foot in the Straits Settlement, the F.M.S. and Malaya, and our readers may be interested to know that those at the head of it are working out the campaign on most thorough-going and business-like lines. The white community in those places is palpably more go-ahead than are the Europeans of this Colony so far as this particular matter is concerned, but we entertain the hope that Hongkong will be willing to take a lesson from what is being done in the South, and will set machinery in motion to convince the Government that it seriously desires that the lead given there shall be followed here.

We gather that the instigators of the F.M.S. movement have secured from the Inspector General of Police in Ceylon full details of the system which is in operation in that Colony—particulars of which have already been published by the *Telegraph*—and that the petitions and circulars bearing the names of nearly one thousand Europeans in various districts of the Federated States have been placed in the hands of an unofficial member of the Federal Council, to be submitted to the next meeting of that body, which is likely to be held some time in November. Here is a most admirable example for Hongkong. All that is needed is for some public-spirited gentleman to draw up a petition, extensively circulate it, get a small committee to canvass systematically for signatures, and then get the subject broached in the Legislative Council. Then, when the Government is confronted with convincing evidence of the existence of a demand for the registration of servants, there ought to be no difficulty in getting the desire fully met. The Government, of its own initiative, will apparently do nothing in the matter, and, that being so, it is for the ratepayers themselves to take the question up and push it for all it is worth. The trouble in Hongkong, unfortunately, is that any number of people *will talk profusely enough about necessary reforms*, but they will not bother to go to any trouble in helping to see that such reforms are carried out. That is why so little that is beneficial is done for the ratepayers here. In a large measure they have themselves to blame.

If any satisfaction is to be obtained on this important question, this spirit of indifference must be thrown over, and some organised attempt made to consolidate and solidify public opinion on the subject. The promoters of the movement in the Southern Settlements intend to ask the Government to frame a measure for adoption simultaneously in the whole of Malaya, the F.M.S., and the Straits, so as to avoid any undue advantage for one part of the country over the other. In view of the servant being so well protected by legislation against unfair treatment by the employer—just as he is here—it is felt that the time has come when the latter should secure some measure of protection against, not the good and honest servant, but the man who, either being an ex-convict or fugitive from justice, exploits domestic service as a new field for his activities. That is precisely the feeling in Hongkong. Will some-one see that that feeling is worked up into a properly-organised movement?

Our Smelly Police Court.

We read with satisfaction that Mr. Wood so far took up the cudgels for himself, and the other occupants of his court, yesterday, as to order the prompt removal of some dried fish from the sphere of action. Reporters whose duty it is to frequent that bower of bliss, the new Magistracy, complain that, at the best of times, the air is foul beyond expression; and their statements are backed up by Mr. Jenkin who, the other day, described the place as "a stench-pool, stinking and reeking with the people who crowded there. He did not wish to say anything against the architects, but the place did stink." Neither do we particularly wish to malign the architects, or the P.W.D. enthusiasts who were responsible for the construction of the storied edifice; but we take leave to observe that it is a little extraordinary, in an up-to-date colony like ours, to find a newly-built police court a place of torture to all who are blessed or cursed with a sense of smell. Of course it is conceivable that the architects may be in no way whatever to blame, and that the responsibility rests with the court officials who, we understand, allow the body of the place to be stored with stolen articles that are to figure in one or another of the hearings—the said articles being, as often as not, malodorous fish and coolie wearing-apparel. If the stench is due solely to the exhibits, would it not be as well to have a stink-tight chamber attached to the court, wherein the magistrate could carry on his inspection?

India and Non-British Missionaries.

A paragraph headed as above, in our issue of yesterday, is of especial interest because, not so long ago, the Government of India contrived to swallow the interesting contention supported by a few cranks at Home that the German missionaries in India were a blessing to the country. We are glad to find that the authorities have come to a better mind on this matter and have resolved that henceforth no non-British subject shall undertake mission work in India until permission is obtained. Surely circumstances have taught us by this time to trust a German missionary just as far as we would trust any other German—which is to say, not at all. The utterances of the enemy clergy, of all creeds, since the war began are such as to convince any sane person that German religion is of the same brand with everything else belonging to that unhappy race, and is not wanted among honest British subjects who decline to believe in the divinity of the Kaiser. Since these missionaries and their neutral sympathisers have, upon occasion, shown themselves "in active sympathy with the enemies of the British Empire, or lacking in goodwill towards the Government in which they propose to teach," it is quite time that they were barred from British territory.

Dr. von Bethmann-Hollweg.

There is abundant significance in the wire received yesterday afternoon which speaks of a widespread movement against Dr. von Bethmann-Hollweg, the Imperial Chancellor. The Reichstag re-opens to day and it is expected, apparently, that the Chancellor will be hauled over the parliamentary coals for that he did refrain from being as frightful as the Emperor William and his select circle could have wished. Now it seems to us that the *Herr Doktor* is merely exercising, by way of a change, a little common or garden prudence and foresight. Whatever the criminal lunatics of the Imperial Party may wish, it is certain that the German populace will continue to object to any measures that may increase neutral disgust and Entente desire for vengeance. Though the people are doubtless still far from knowing the truth, most of them must be secretly persuaded, by this time, that Germany cannot win. The Chancellor knows by heart what the people suspect; he knows that disaster is about to fall on his beloved Fatherland, and that there is no wisdom in increasing the punishment that is due. Hence, presumably, the anger felt against him by those who feel that they may as well be hanged for a sheep as for a lamb.

DAY BY DAY.

A LIE IN TIMES SAVES NINE.

The Weather.

At the Peak 8 a.m. Temp. 70; clear. (1915, 69 sunshine.)

Lower level 8 a.m. Temp. 78; clear. (1915, 76 sunshine.)

The Mails.

Siberian Mail.—Due per s.s. Luchow to-morrow.

The Dollar.

The opening rate of the dollar on demand to-day was 2s. 2.5/16d.

To-morrow's Anniversary.

To-morrow is the 84th anniversary of the birth of the late Earl Roberts.

A Rough Passage.

The s.s. Kanchow, which arrived yesterday from Bangkok, had a rough passage up, experiencing strong gales and high seas.

Accidentally Killed.

A cargo coolie on board the Japanese steamer Otonea Maru was killed accidentally yesterday by a derrick boom falling on him.

Aquatic Sports.

Entries close to-morrow for the aquatic sports which are to be held under the auspices of the Hongkong and China District of the St. John Ambulance Brigade Overseas.

Kailan Output.

The total output of the Kailan Mining Administrations' mines for the week ending September 16, amounted to 30,955 tons and the sales during the period, to 51,983 tons.

Dispensation Cancelled.

We are informed by His Lordship Bishop Pozzoni that the dispensation from abstinence lately granted by him to the Catholics of Hongkong has now been cancelled.

Spade Work.

A Chinese was charged before Mr. J. R. Wood, at the Police Court this morning, with being in unlawful possession of a shovel. Mr. Mattingley appeared for the defence, and defendant was discharged.

Jumped Overboard.

A female Chinese has been conveyed to the Government Civil Hospital suffering from the effects of an immersion in the Harbour. It is stated that whilst the ferry boat was crossing the Harbour she jumped overboard.

Stolen Clothing.

A Chinese was charged before Mr. F. A. Hazeland, at the Police Court this morning, with stealing a quantity of clothing valued at $2. Defendant said he took the clothes because complainant owed him $1.50. His Worship sent him to prison for a month.

Opium Possession.

Two Chinese were charged before Mr. J. R. Wood, at the Police Court this morning, with being in possession of 1,400 taels of prepared opium which Revenue Officer Wilden found in their boat in the Harbour yesterday. The drug is valued at $14,000. His Worship remanded defendants.

Billiards.

In connection with the Palace Hotel Billiards tournament, Mr. Bearne (owes 110) and Mr. Cooper (recs. 59) met last night, the former winning by the narrow margin of nine points, the scores being 250 to 241. To-night, at nine o'clock, Mr. McLennan (owes 200) plays Mr. Bootes (owes 40).

Victoria Theatre.

The "What Nots," who are having such a successful season at the Victoria Theatre, announce a complete change of programme for to-night, details of which will be seen in our advertising columns. In addition, they will submit a special programme at a matinee to be given at 5 p.m. to-morrow. Readers are reminded of the special charity concert, in aid of the Kitchener Memorial Fund, which is to be held at this popular place of amusement on October 4.

Equal Chances.

The case was heard again at the Police Court this morning, before Mr. J. R. Wood, in which three Indians were charged with gambling. One of the defendants did not appear, and his bail of $10 was estreated. Inspector Lamont now said that he would like to withdraw the charge. They had looked into the matter of the legality of the game which defendants were playing, in compliance with His Worship's request, and found that the chances were about equal.

KOWLOON CRICKET CLUB.

The Annual General Meeting.

The twelfth annual general meeting of members of the Kowloon Cricket Club was held in the Club Pavilion last evening, when a good attendance of members was presided over by Mr. P. R. Wolff (Vice-President) in the absence of the President, Dr. C. Forsyth, who is on holiday. Among those also present were the following members of the Committee:—Messrs. R. L. Atkinson, A. B. Bryson, G. Duncan, A. Hamilton, R. E. Lindsell, D. Neilson, W. L. Weaser, W. Kay (Hon. Treasurer), and J. P. Robinson (Captain). Mr. S. E. Green (Hon. Secretary) was unable to be present.

The Committee's Report.

The annual report, presented by the Committee, stated:—

The profit made in the working of the Club has reached the record figure of $2,793.96. This is due to the increased membership, and to the loyalty of the members of the various Sub-Committees, who have saved the Club much money, by devoting their time and services to the Club.

Seventy new members joined the Club during the year, making our present membership 288, an increase of 44 over last year.

We regret to record that the following military members have been killed in action: Major H. G. Stansfield, Lt. H. T. Moberly, and Capt. C. C. Clarke. Of the Club members 11 are serving at the front and we wish them a speedy return. We also regret to have to record the death of one of our oldest members, Mr. A. E. Dunrich.

It will be noticed with pleasure that the ground expenses are less than those of last year. This is due to the attention bestowed by the Ground Committee.

The Government having granted the portion of ground to the north of the Cricket Ground, it was decided at an Extraordinary General Meeting held on 15th December, 1915, to fence and lay same out for tennis courts at an estimated cost of $3,400.00.

Owing to unavoidable and considerable time spent in final details as to laying out of the ground and the lowest tender obtainable exceeding the estimated cost by $1,500.00, it was decided by the General Committee to postpone the work until after the war.

It has again been necessary to spend a considerable sum on repairs to the pavilion, owing to extensive dry-rot and the activity of white ants. The building is now in fair condition, but it seems highly probable that the expenditure on repairs will continue to be high during the remainder of the building's existence.

There is little prospect of League Cricket during the coming season, but every effort will be made to arrange as extensive a programme of matches as possible. The ground is in excellent order and it is hoped that members will give their whole-hearted support to the Captain and the game.

The annual tennis tournament was successfully carried through during the months April-August, in spite of the great delays caused by the seasonable rains. A second tournament for "B" Class players is now in progress. Our representative teams were not successful in the League this season; the "B" team however secured second place in the "B" Division.

The Golf Section continues to be popular. By arrangement with United Service Club the membership is at present 70 Resident, and 10 Sea-Going. The season will in future commence on 1st January, instead of March as hitherto. The sum of $40.00 was donated to War Charities from entrance fees to competitions held on Empire Day.

A new interest has been taken in croquet and a tournament is now in progress. The entries for the Championship and A and B Class Events are very good. The ground is being greatly improved where the lawns are laid out, and the game is attracting new members.

The best thanks of the Club are due to the donors of the many handsome prizes for tennis and golf.

The balance sheet showed that the income for the year had amounted to $18,770.15, of which $14,623.84 were bar receipts. Subscriptions amounted to $2,142.50 and entrance fees $885. The expenses, including $161.00 to War Charities amounted to $15,976.19, leaving a balance of $2,793.96, as compared with a balance last year of $1,927.36. The Reserve Account now stands at $11,026.10 and the cash on Deposit and Current Accounts and in hand amounts to $6,930.34.

In proposing the adoption of the report and accounts Mr. Wolff said they could heartily congratulate themselves on the excellent figures, and that was due to the assiduous attention and hard work by the Committee. He would particularly like to mention Messrs. Neilson and Duncan, who put in a great amount of work. They had thought of War Charities during the year and he was pleased to say that with the concert and a subscription from the Club Funds they were handing over $400 this week. They donated the sum of $161 also and the Golf Section raised $40 from the entrance fees for the competition held on Empire Day, making a total of $601. (Applause). The ground was in excellent condition, thanks to the Ground Committee, and with regard to the new ground scheme they had to abandon that, but that matter could be discussed later. The pavilion was not in a very good state of repair and some measures would have to be taken. They had a considerable amount of money in hand and the members might desire to have a new edifice, but that could be discussed when they were considering what to do with the $6,930.34 they had in hand. Cricket, tennis and golf had been very successful and croquet seemed to have taken a new lease of life. He was glad because the game had become very popular at home. They had to thank the donators of prizes and with regard to the membership there was an increase of 44 over last year. The question arose whether they should not raise the entrance subscription because the present members had borne the brunt of the club and new ones should help to pay. It was a matter of congratulation that eleven members were serving at the front, and with regard to those members referred to in the report as having laid down their lives for their country they knew that those men had not made that sacrifice in vain. England and her Allies were now showing what they could do for liberty and the men who had laid down their lives had not done so in vain. He wished the whole of the members now serving a speedy and safe return and hoped they would be present at the next annual meeting to re-possess and enjoy the privileges of the K.C.C. (Applause.)

Mr. Robinson seconded the adoption of the report.

Mr. Goldsmith, in supporting, expressed their thanks to the Committee for the very satisfactory report before them and went on to call attention to the tremendous profits made last year. He thought that the prices of drinks should be lowered and that the entrance subscription should be raised.

Mr. Mead agreed with this and suggested that the entrance subscription should be $20 and the annual subscription $12.

Without further discussion the report and balance sheet was adopted.

Election of Officers.

The following officers were elected:—President, Dr. Forsyth, Vice President Mr. P. R. Wolff, Captain J. P. Robinson; hon. secretary, Mr. S. E. Green; hon. treasurer, Mr. A. E. Schultz; vice-captain, Mr. H. Overy; Committee, Messrs. G. Duncan, R. E. Lindsell, D. Neilson, A. B. Bryson, A. O. Brawn, W. Kay, H. G. Mackenzie, and J. H. Mead; ballotting committee, Messrs. J. Stalker, D. Harvey, H. Overy, J. Hyde, J. Jack, J. Ralston, A. Hamilton, L. Forster, W. L. Weaser, and A. D. Gee.

Some discussion took place on the subjects of the new ground and the erection of a new pavilion and eventually the meeting favoured a proposal by Mr. S. W. H. James that the new ground project be abandoned till after the war, as well as a recommendation to the committee, on the suggestion of Mr. J. H. Mead, that the erection of a new pavilion be proceeded with. The latter proposal requires the approval of a special general meeting. It was also agreed that the entrance fee be increased by $10 and the annual subscription by $2, bringing these up to $25 and $12 respectively.

AQUATIC SPORTS.

Victoria Recreation Club Opening Programme.

Under the auspices of the Victoria Recreation Club, the annual aquatic sports opened yesterday. There was a fairly good attendance present including Major General Ventris, and the keenest interest was manifested in the various events, especially in the half-mile race, for which Johnstone, Finch, and M.L. Railton swam, the former beating the record of any previous time in the Colony at 12 min. 17 secs. In every respect, the race was full of interest, and all three swimmers looked exceedingly fit. They all got off well, but before one length had been traversed, the issue it was quite evident, was between Finch and Johnstone, Railton falling back until, by the time the length had been completed, he was some five or six yards behind. He failed to make up the lee way, losing distance all through, so much so that at the end of the race he was three lengths behind. Finch and Johnstone kept level more or less, with each other, sometimes one gaining a few feet, and sometimes the other, but each spurted until the distance was made up. It was on the last lap that Johnstone turned smartly round and gained a lead of some feet, which he increased, leaving Finch some way behind. Johnstone was wonderfully fresh, and it would have taken a good man indeed to have beaten him. He totally out-distanced Finch, who will now have to look to his laurels. Finch beat his previous record by a little over eight seconds doing the swim in 12 min. 23 secs., whereas his time was 12 min. 31.4/5 secs. on the last occasion. Other results were as follows:—

Two lengths handicap (members only).—First heat: 1, Silva; 2, Ribeiro; Second heat: 1, Evans; 2, Moore; Third heat: 1, Barros; 2, Ralston. (Final will be decided to-day).

Running Header:—1, M. A. R. Souza; 2, J. M Silva.

Boys' Race-Two lengths handicap. (Members' sons) 14 years and under.—1. R. G. Witchell; 2, H. Asgar.

Two Lengths Team Race (Members only.) — Between R. C. Witchell's team, J. Stewart's team, M. L. Railton's team, and L. C. R. Souza's team. Witchell's team were the winners.

A water polo match afterwards took place between Mr. Witchell's team, and Lieut. Hall's team, the former winning by six goals to one.

The second day's sport begins at 4.30 p.m. to-day.

KILLED IN ACTION.

Mr. H. E. Victor.

It is with regret that we learn of the death in action of Mr. H. E. Victor, who was killed during a charge on the battlefront in France. The deceased, who was a Corporal in the 2nd Middlesex Regiment, was among the first to go to the front from Hongkong, and the news of his death came as a great shock to a large circle of friends. Mr. Victor, who was an Australian, was for many years a reporter on the staff of the *Daily Press*, was also Hansard reporter to the Government, and, on severing his connection with journalism,—he established an office in the Colony for the teaching of shorthand, typewriting and legal and commercial correspondence. He was a most capable man, and his many letters from the front were read with deep interest by all who had the pleasure of knowing him. Of a most cheery and genial temperament, he was a great favourite socially, and by his death very many residents lose a real and valued friend.

CORRESPONDENCE.

[The opinions expressed by the correspondents are not necessarily those of the "Hongkong Telegraph"]

THE ROYAL COLONIAL INSTITUTE.

(To the Editor of the *Hongkong Telegraph*.)

Sir,—The Council of the Royal Colonial Institute has asked me, as its Corresponding Secretary in this Colony, to take steps for extending its local membership, in order to assist it in enlarging its sphere of usefulness.

With that end in view I desire to lay the following facts before the British subjects in this Colony:—(i) The chief aim of the Institute is to preserve the unity of the Empire.

(ii) The Institute is of a non-party character, H. M. The King being its Patron, and H. R. H. the Duke of Connaught being its President.

(iii) The Institute affords opportunities for the reading of papers and for holding of discussions upon Colonial and Indian subjects, and such papers and discussions are printed and dispatched monthly to Fellows all over the world and help to keep the various parts of the Empire in touch with one another.

(iv) The Institute undertakes scientific literary and statistical investigations in connection with the Empire, and before the War started a Trade and Industry Committee with a view to the encouragement and facilitation of trade between the different parts of the Empire.

(v) The Institute provides at its headquarters in Northumberland Avenue, London, a place of meeting for all those who are interested in the Empire, together with a good reference library and a museum for the collection and exhibition of the products of the various parts of the Empire.

(vi) Since the war began the Institute has been actively engaged in promoting Imperial objects, some of which are referred to in the inclosed extracts from a letter from the Secretary Sir Harry Wilson K.C.M.G. dated 25th July, 1916.

The Institute consists of Resident and Non-Resident Fellows who must be British subjects and must be elected by the Council on the nomination of two Fellows. A non-resident Fellow (i.e. one who has his permanent home outside the United Kingdom) pays an entrance fee of £1. 1/s. (which is increased to £3 when taking up permanent residence in the United Kingdom) and an annual subscription of £1. 1/s. (which is increased to £2 when in the United Kingdom for more than 6 months). Non-resident Fellows can compound for the non-resident annual subscription on payment of £10 or, after the payment of 20 or more annual subscriptions, on the payment of £5.

At present there are in this Colony only about 35 Fellows of the Institute and I venture to appeal to the numerous British subjects in this important outpost of the Empire to send in their names to me for election as Fellows of the Institute, together with a draft on London in favour of the Royal Colonial Institute for the amount of their entrance fee (£1.1/-) and either their first year's subscription (£1. 1/-) or their compounded (non-resident) Life subscription of £10.

Yours faithfully,
H. E. POLLOCK,
Hon. Corresponding Secretary,
Royal Colonial Institute.
Hongkong, 28th Sept., 1916.

Extracts from the Secretary's Letter Dated London, 25th July, 1916.

Dear Sir,—The Empire Land Settlement Committee (for Sailors and Soldiers), of which Earl Grey is Chairman and Lord Sydenham Vice-Chairman, has steadily pursued the object with which it was established, viz: to promote the settlement on the land, at home and overseas, of ex-Service men after the War.

The Overseas Sub-Committee, over which Sir John Taverner presides, took a leading part in the despatch of Sir Rider Haggard as Representative of the Council of the Institute, to all the Self-Governing Dominions, and has been in close touch with him by correspondence and cable during his absence. He sailed from England early in February, and has since visited South Africa, all the States of the Commonwealth of Australia, and New Zealand, our latest information being that after landing safely at Victoria, British Columbia he proceeded to Prince Rupert and thence via Edmonton, Calgary, Regina, Saskatoon, Winnipeg to Ottawa. Everywhere received with the utmost cordiality, Sir Rider has succeeded beyond all expectation in obtaining promises of great value from the various Governments he has approached. Thus the British South Africa Company offered a free grant of 500,000 acres for settlement in Rhodesia. Tasmania promised 300 farms in agricultural or orcharding areas; Victoria, Western Australia and South Australia, equality of treatment, as regards settlement, for British ex-Service men along with their own returning soldiers; Queensland a million of acres of land, provided that the Government could raise a loan to build railways into the districts to be set apart for settlement and that the men were subject to a satisfactory method of selection, while New South Wales offered no less than 1,000 farms in the Yanco District. The complete particulars from New Zealand are not yet to hand, we have also to learn the results of Sir Rider's work in Canada; but the Council is much gratified with the results of his efforts already reported, and it is felt that their enterprise in despatching him on this important mission has been fully justified. He is expected to return to England at the beginning of August.

Mr. Garrison, assisted by a War Lectures Committee has delivered a large number of lectures in London and elsewhere for various charitable objects connected with the War, including the Motor Ambulance Car which has been working under the auspices of the Institute. Considerable sums of money have been raised in this way for the Funds concerned.

At the suggestion of Sir Charles Lucas the Council has recently approved in principle a scheme for the issue of a Standard work in three or four volumes on what may be called Imperial Co-operation—an account of the assistance rendered by the Overseas Princes of the Empire, military, civil, financial and other in the present War, as well as in those which have preceded it. The co-operation of the Indian and Dominion Governments as well as of the Colonial Office (for the Crown Colonies and Dependencies) has been invited and accorded, and materials for this important work are already being collected at the Institute.

The work formerly done by the War Services Committee is at present entrusted to two small Committees, one of which, known as the War Purposes Committee, deals with the applications for service still being received by Fellows and others introduced by them. During the past four months there have been 55 such applications, which I have handled with the assistance of the Committee and its Chairman, Sir Godfrey Lagden, K.C.M.G. About half of them have been successful, commissions having been obtained in the R.E., R.N.A.S. and R.F.C., as well as in some other corps. A few of the applicants desiring to serve with the Infantry have been advised to enlist. It is evident that this work will continue, though to a much lesser extent than formerly, until the close of the War, many men who have long been anxious to join, having only been recently set free by their employers and thus enabled to do so. The second Committee, under the Chairmanship of Colonel Duncan Pitcher, is engaged in working out the scheme proposed by Mr. Campbell Brown for the provision of education facilities for the children of persons resident Overseas, who have rendered services in the War. The details of this scheme were published in the July number of "United Empire" so it is unnecessary for me to explain them here. I shall, however, be glad if Honorary Corresponding Secretaries outside the United Kingdom will communicate with the Honorary Secretary of the Education Committee (as it is called) should any deserving cases come to their knowledge.

The Institute's Roll of Honour, composed of the names and rank of Fellows and Associates serving in the War, has been regulary issued in the Journal. When last computed it consisted of 641 names or more than one-twentieth of our total membership. Of those serving during 1915, 38 were killed in action and 9 died of wounds.

On the arrival of the Empire Parliamentary Delegates, representing the Legislatures of Canada, Australia, New Zealand, South Africa and Newfoundland, at the beginning of July, invitations were addressed to them individually (with the exception of those who were already members of the Institute) to accept the privileges of Honorary Fellowship during the period of their visit.

With all good wishes to the Fellows in your district,

I am, Dear Sir,
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SHANGHAI SHARE REPORT.

Messrs. A. L. Anderson and Co.'s weekly share circular (Shanghai, September 23) is as follows:—

The feature of the week's work was the rise of rubber in London which caused a flutter among the Rubbers and a market temporarily very active: while the rise has not been completely sustained, prices in almost every case close higher than a week ago. General Securities received only scant notice and Cottons were only represented among the quotations by Shanghais. To-day's opening rate for T/T on London was 3/1½; the Dollar rate being 71.875.

Debentures. — Several lakhs changed hands, the chief counters being the two Municipal series, both 5½ per cent. and 6 per cent. Land 5½ per cent. some Waterworks and Gas Sixes. The prices so far are well supported, which is matter for remark while more favourable avenues for investment are offering. For example, the new French Loan, given a return to 2/6 for exchange and to 25½ for London/Paris rate, and without reckoning any appreciation (the two previous loans, issued at 87½ are now 90/91) will have returned, three years hence, an average of over 19 per cent. per annum!

Banks.—Hongkong and Shanghais were not reported and we quote $745 nominal. Cathays. 'Ordinary' were rushed to 3½ but are offering after a few sales: 'Preference' are still on the market at 5.70.

Insurance.—There is no change to report.

Shipping.—Indo-Chinas are wanted at 122½. Tugs. "Ordinary' came to market at 18 but 'Preference' are looked for in vain at par. Kochiens have buyers at 20.

Docks and Engineerings.—Shanghai have attracted some attention and shown a steady appreciation to 78½. The rumours we mentioned last week are justified, and we are informed that the company has practically got 'its hands full' for some time to come. New Engineerings continue in demand at 10½.

Land Hotels.—Futile offers of 96 are still made. Investments. A few Shares were taken off the market at 93. Centrals unchanged at $73 buyers.

Cotton Mills.—Only two sales of Orientals at 45, and 44, and Shanghais, at a practically steady rate of 99 were quoted, although a few sales in other lines were made privately. While the experts seem now more hopeful as to the local crop than a week or two ago this market remains very quiet.

Rubbers.—While no reason is evident why rubber and exchange should rise together, such seems to be the case, and that of the former discounts, in the market, that of the latter. In this connection it is interesting to note that the average demand rate for the year ending 30th June last, was only 2/7½. The tendency of prices is upwards, and cheap summer-purchases are already looking satisfactory. Amherst. It will be proposed at a meeting to be held on 27th inst. that the company be reconstructed. Pahangs. The balances at credit of P. & L. for the year ending 30th June last is Tls. 22,263.44, out of which it is proposed to pay a dividend of 10 per cent. and carry forward the balance of Tls. 2,263.44.

Miscellaneous.—Telephones remain steadily at 90 and Constructions at 89½. Gas are wanted at 24 and Waterworks could be placed at 250.

A Colombo Gratuity Question.

An action has been filed in the District Court of Colombo praying that the payment of Rs 10,000 as a gratuity to Mr. Thyne, waterworks engineer, voted by the Municipal Council on June 9, 1916, be declared ultra vires and illegal.

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Steamer	From	Expected on or about	Will leave on or about	For
Tjipanas ...	JAVA	in port		
Tjimanoek*	SHANGHAI	3rd Oct.	5th Oct.	JAVA
Tjilatjap ...	KOBE	7th Oct.	9th Oct.	JAVA & MAKASSAR
Tjitaroem *	JAVA	8th Oct.	11th Oct.	SHANGHAI
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Haihong...	J. W. Evans ...	TUES., 3rd Oct. at 2 p.m.

FOR SWATOW.

Haihong...	J. W. Evans ...	FRI., 29th Sept. at 2 p.m.

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(Projected Sailings from Hongkong.—Subject to Alteration).

For	Steamship		On
S'PORE, P'ang & C'cutta	Kutsang*	Sat.,	30th Sept at noon.
MANILA	Yuensang*	Sat.,	30th Sept. at 3 p.m.
SHANGHAI via Swatow	Wosang†	Sun.,	1st Oct. at d'light.
SHANGHAI via Swatow	Choysang†	Tues.,	3rd Oct. at d'light.
S'PORE, P'ang & C'cutta	Yatshing	Tues.,	3rd Oct. at noon.
SHANGHAI	Wingsang†	Fri.,	6th Oct. at d'light.
MOJI & Kobe	Hopsang	Fri.,	6th Oct. at d'light.
MANILA	Loongsang*	Sat.,	7th Oct. at 3 p.m.
SANDAKAN	Hinsang‡	Tues.,	10th Oct. at noon.

Return Tours to Japan.

The steamers "Kutsang," "Namsang" and "Fooksang," leave about every 3 weeks for Shanghai and Japan, returning via Kobe (Inland Sea) and Moji to Hongkong. Time occupied 20 days. This service is supplemented by the "Yatshing" and "Kumsang," leaving Hongkong at regular intervals for Yokohama, Kobe and Moji and returning thence direct to Hongkong. Time occupied 16 days.

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† Taking Cargo on Through Bills of Lading to Yangtsze Ports, Chefoo, Tientsin, Dalny, Weihaiwei.

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COMMERCIAL.

Wool in America.

The "America Wool and Cotton Reporter" Boston, August 10, says: "The wool market has been quiet for the last week, but a firm undertone prevails, with an upward tendency. It is anticipated that buyers will give big orders in the woollen goods market when they have prices where they want them. This will necessitate purchasing much wool on the part of manufacturers. The domestic clip will be needed more than ever. There is hardly any likelihood of obtaining wool from Australia for months to come. This puts the American trade very largely dependent on its own clip, and for this reason it is stated that high prices will have to be paid for it. Sales for the week were some 3,000,000 pounds, in the proportion of two to one for domestic and foreign wool, respectively. The woollen goods market has improved somewhat, but buying is still of a rather conservative character, due to the high prices. There is no great supply of goods among manufacturers nor among buyers. Manufacturers predict that higher prices will prevail in the near future. The cotton goods market has shown more activity, and there is every indication that buyers need merchandise, and that the purchasing will continue to increase. The demand is large enough to keep mills sold ahead, and it is quite likely that to-day's quotation will be considered low inside of a number of months."

Tanning Materials—Opening in Malaya and North Borneo.

A correspondent writing in the Imperial and Foreign Trade Supplement of the "Times" says it is a mistake to suppose that the quebracho tanning extract produced in Argentina and Paraguay, largely under German auspices, is indispensable to the British tanning industry. Quebracho extract is a very good and useful tan, and possibly some tanners in this country who are accustomed to use it would object strongly to any obstacle being placed in the way of its importation, but the fact is that the British Empire is quite capable of producing within its own borders sufficient tanning substances for its own requirements, and many excellent opportunities exist for the employment of capital and energy in the manufacture of tanning extract at the places where the raw material grows. The Malay Peninsula, which has come much into public notice in the last ten years, could contribute largely to the world's requirements of tanning materials. For example, on the coast of the States of Perak and Selangor there is an area of about 250 square miles of mangrove forest. At present, this is a Government reserve forest and is worked for firewood only. It contains six species of mangrove suitable for the production of cutch or extract, and the bark is so far a waste product, with the exception of a small quantity used locally for dressing fishing nets and sails. The Governments of the Straits Settlements and Federated Malay States are ready to encourage the starting of new industries, and a good opening is here presented for the establishment of a mangrove extract factory. Good progress is being made in the manufacture of mangrove cutch in British North Borneo, and the exports of extract have expanded both in quantity and value during the past year. In Borneo, as in other tropical countries, supplies of mangrove bark are practically inexhaustible, and factories erected in suitable localities can obtain their requirements of bark from the immediate neighbourhood for many years without depleting the supplies. The process used in Borneo for preparing mangrove cutch is simple. The freshly gathered bark is tied in small bundles and boiled in vats until the soluble matter has been extracted, which is ascertained by determining the density of the decoction. The spent bark is taken out, allowed to dry in the open, and used as fuel. Concentration of the extract by evaporation is carried out in vacuum pans similar to those used in sugar manufacture. The extract is once treated to a syrup, which on cooling hardens to a resin-like solid.

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s.s. "TENYO MARU."

From SAN FRANCISCO, via HONOLULU, JAPAN PORTS and MANILA.

The above named steamer having arrived, Consignees of cargo are hereby notified to send in their Bills of Lading for counter-signature, and to take immediate delivery of cargo from alongside.

Cargo remaining undelivered on September 28, at noon, will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense, and delivery must then be taken from the Company's Godown. Storage charges will be assessed on all cargo remaining undelivered on October 2, at 5 p.m.

No Fire Insurance whatever will be effected.

No Claim will be recognised after the goods have left the steamer or Godown.

All chafed and damaged cargo will be landed into the Company's Godown, where they will be examined on October 5, at 10 a.m.

No Claims will be recognised if filed after October 17, 1916.

T. DAIGO,
Agent.

Hongkong, September 26, 1916.

THE BANK LINE LIMITED.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

From JAPAN.

THE Steamship

"HUDSON MARU"

having arrived, Consignees of cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., whence delivery may be obtained.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns and all goods remaining undelivered after the 2nd October will be subject to rent.

All claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 9th October, or they will not be recognised.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 2nd October at 9 a.m.

No Fire Insurance whatever will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

THE BANK LINE, LTD.
General Agents.

Hongkong, September 25, 1916.

NOTICES.

G. R.

Any European, Non-Asiatic or Indian desiring to leave the Colony should apply in writing for permission to do so to the Captain Superintendent of Police, at least 48 hours before the intended hour of departure, giving name, nationality, age, sex, height and occupation of the applicant, and stating the name of the steamer or other vessel or the hour of the train by which the applicant wishes to leave. Applicants should apply in person for their passes at the Central Police Station between the hours of 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. daily.

Hongkong 9th, July, 1915.

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London via Ports	Teiresias	B. & S.	4, Oct.
London, via Cape Town	Kitano M.	N. Y. K.	5, Oct.
London via Ports	Sardinia	P. & O.	6, Oct.
Liverpool via Ports	Alcinous	B. & S.	8, Oct.
London via Cape Town	C. of Manila	B. L. Ltd.	10, Oct.
London via Ports	Demodocus	B. & S.	14, Oct.
London via Cape Town	Fushima M.	N. Y. K.	19, Oct.
London via Ports	Novara	P. & O.	20, Oct.

NEW YORK, SAN FRANCISCO AND CANADA.

Boston and New York	C. of Durham	S. T. & Co.	30, Sept.
Vancouver via Japan	E. of Asia	C. P. O. S.	4, Oct.
San Francisco via Japan	Tenyo M.	T. K. K.	4, Oct.
San Francisco via Japan	Ecuador	P. M. S. S.	4, Oct.
Victoria B.C., via Japan	Shidzuoka M.	N. Y. K.	11, Oct.
San Francisco via Japan	Tjisondari	J.C.J. L.	12, Oct.
San Francisco via Manila	Nippon M.	T. K. K.	17, Oct.
Seattle via Japan	Ixion	B. & S.	17, Oct.
New York via Panama	Tsuyama M.	N. Y. K.	21, Oct.
Victoria, B.C., & Seattle	Kamura M.	N. Y. K.	31, Oct.
Vancouver via Japan	E. of Russia	C. P. O. S.	1, Nov.
South American Ports	Seiyo M.	T. K. K.	9, Nov.

AUSTRALIA.

Australia via Manila	Eastern	G. L. Co.	10, Oct.
Australia via Manila	Nikko M.	N. Y. K.	13, Oct.
Australia via Manila	Aki M.	N. Y. K.	14, Nov.
Australia via Manila	St. Albans	G. L. Co.	15, Nov.

SINGAPORE, INDIA, COAST PORTS AND JAPAN.

Swatow	Haihong	D. L. & Co.	29, Sept.
Manila	Ixion	B. & S.	29, Sept.
Singapore, Penang and Calcutta	Kutsang	J. M. Co.	30, Sept.
Shanghai and Japan	Neleus	B. & S.	30, Sept.
Manila	Yuensang	J. M. Co.	30, Sept.
Shanghai	Anhui	B. & S.	1 Oct.
Shanghai via Swatow	Wosang	J. M. Co.	1, Oct.
Calcutta via Ports	Benten M.	N. Y. K.	2, Oct.
Bombay via Ports	Totomi M.	N. Y. K.	2, Oct.
Manila, Cebu and Iloilo	Tean	B. & S.	3, Oct.
Shanghai via Swatow	Choysang	J. M. Co.	3, Oct.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Haihong	D. L. & Co.	3, Oct.
Singapore, Penang & Calcutta	Yatshing	J. M. Co.	3, Oct.
Shanghai and Japan	Ajax	B. & S.	5, Oct.
Java	Tjimanoek	J.C.J. L.	5, Oct.
Shanghai and Kobe	Kirin M.	N. Y. K.	5, Oct.
Shanghai	Wingsang	J. M. Co.	6, Oct.
Moji and Kobe	Hopsang	J. M. Co.	6, Oct.
Shanghai & Japan	Pyrrhus	B. & S.	7, Oct.
Manila	Loongsang	J. M. Co.	7, Oct.
Shanghai and Japan	Kaga M.	N. Y. K.	9, Oct.
Java and Makassar	Tjilatjap	J.C.J. L.	9, Oct.
Shanghai to Yokohama	Nore	P. & O.	10 Oct.
Sandakan	Hinsang	J. M. Co.	10, Oct.
Shanghai	Tjitaroem	J.C.J. L.	11, Oct.
Kobe	Tjiliwong	J.C.J. L.	12, Oct.
Nagasaki, Kobe and Yokohama	Aki M.	N. Y. K.	13, Oct.
Shanghai and Japan	Oanfa	B. & S.	14, Oct.
Shanghai, Moji and Kobe	Rangoon M.	N. Y. K.	15, Oct.
Shanghai to Japan	Nyanza	P. & O.	22, Oct.
Manila	Talthybius	B. & S.	26, Oct.
Shanghai and Japan	Ningchow	B. & S.	29, Oct.
Shanghai and Japan	Cyclops	B. & S.	29, Oct.

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NOTICE TO MARINERS.

STEAMSHIP "AMERICAN" (French) took fire and sank on September 26, 1916, at 9 A.M.

Position of wreck:—One mile east of North Point, East Brothers, about six feet of mast is above surface at half tide.

C. W. BECKWITH,
Commander, R.N.,
Harbour Master, &c.,
Harbour Department,
Hongkong, September 26, 1916.

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MOGUL LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

From LIVERPOOL & STRAITS.

THE Steamship

"PATHAN."

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of Holt's Wharf at Kowloon, whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 3rd prox. will be subject to rent.

All claims against the steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 17th prox. or they will not be recognised.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 3rd prox. at 10 a.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

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The Swedish Steamer NEW SWEDEN left Gothenburg on the 5th August, and is due to arrive here on or about the end of September.

VESSELS IN PORT.

Steamers.

Wisley, Br., s.s. 4,399, Ruthen, 4th Sept.—Vungro Bay, 30th Aug., Gen.—B. L.

August Belmont, Br., s.s. 2,967, Clarke, 9th Sept.—Batavia, 30th Aug., Ballast—A. P. Co.

Onsang, Br., s.s. 1,784, Lough, 20th Sept.—Calcutta, 13th Sept., Gen.—J. M. & Co.

Chengtu, Br., s.s. 1,336, Speed, 21st Sept.—Bangkok, 14th Sept., Rice—B. & S.

Annan M., Jap., s.s. 1,825, Ugeda, 22nd Sept.—Sacrahaia, Gen.—O. S. K.

Tungsling, Br., s.s. 1,172, Hussey, 22nd Sept.—Saigon, 17th Sept., Rice—Chinese.

Bourbon, Fr., s.s. 997, Veillant, 23rd Sept.—Saigon, 19th Sept., Rice—Ray & Co.

Fautang, Br., s.s. 1,410, Malkin, 23rd Sept. Saigon, 19th Sept., Rice—J. M. & Co.

Hungkong, Fr., s.s. 739, Marguerite, 23rd Sept.—Hoihow, 22nd Sept., Gen.—A. R. Marty.

Halvard, Nor., s.s. 1,066, Beck, 23rd Sept.—Bangkok, 15th Sept., Gen.—T. & Co.

Kutsang, Br., s.s. 3,110, Bradley, 23rd Sept.—Kobe, 17th Sept., Gen.—J. 'f. & Co.

Tongiee, Chi., s.s. 882, Honda, 23rd Sept.—Bangkok, 15th Sept., Rice—Chinese.

Tjipanas, Dut., s.s. 2,233, Lange, 23rd Sept.—Swatow, 22nd Sept., Gen.—J.C.J.L.

Hudson M., Jap., s.s. 1,958, Takeshima, 24th Sept.—Kobe, 18th Sept., Gen.—B. L. Co.

Taisho M., Jap., s.s. 2,637, Nakanishi, 25th Sept.—Dairen, 18th Sept., Coal—M. B. K.

Changchow, Br., s.s. 1,205, Robinson, 26th Sept.—Bangkok, 17th Sept., Rice—B. & S.

Ixion, Br., s.s. 6,527, Black, 26th Sept.—Vancouver, Gen.—B. & S.

Kungping, Chi., s.s. 1,741, Howie, 26th Sept.—Bangkok, 18th Sept., Rice—Chinese

Pathan, Br., s.s. 3,304, Chaplin, 26th Sept.—Singapore, 19th Sept., Gen.—D. & Co.

Pheumpenh, Br., s.s. 1,065, Major, 26th Sept.—Saigon, 22nd Sept., Rice—Chinese.

Tenyo M., Jap., s.s. 6,283.94, Smith, 26th Sept.—San Francisco, 26th Aug., Gen.—T. K. K.

Yuensang, Br., s.s. 1,128, Mesney 26th Sept.—Manila, 23rd Sept., Gen.—J. M. & Co.

Derwent, Br., s.s. 1,728, Jenkins, 27th Sept.—Saigon, 22nd Sept., Rice—Chinese.

Hongbee, Br., s.s. 2,052, Willshire, 27th Sept.—Singapore, Gen.—Order.

Knight Companion, Br., s.s. 4,625, Kendall, 27th Sept.—Shanghai, 23rd Sept., Gen.—B. & S.

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H.K. Tramways.	s.	$	7.35.

VOLUNTEER ORDERS.

Corps Orders issued to-day by Lieut-Col. A. Chapman, V. D., state:—

Leave.

No. 1602 Lieut. A. B. Raworth is granted an extension of leave to 15. 11. 16. No. 1435 Pte. C. B. Brown is granted an extension of leave from 26. 9. 16. No. 1757 Spr. R. C. Pass is granted 2 months' leave from 26. 9. 16. No. 2020 Spr. S. F. Chubb is granted 1 month's leave from 26. 9. 16. No. 1987 Pte. R. M. McLay is granted 10 days' leave from 28. 9. 16. No. 1334 Corpl A. J. W. Rosser is granted 6 weeks' leave from 9. 10. 16.

Transferred.

No 1578 Pte. H.W. Ramsey, Signalling Section, is transferred to Engineer Coy. from this date.

Left Section M.G. Co.

Until further orders Lieut. Rees will command this Section. Guards will be found by this Section in conjunction with the Civil Service Coy.

Defaulters.

No 1873 Pte. P Tangap, Signalling Section, will parade in marching order, at 5.30 p.m. on September 29 and October 2, at Volunteer Headquarters.

Struck Off.

The twelve months' leave granted to No 1520 Gr. F. H. Fisher having expired, he will be struck off the strength of the Corps on the 30th instant.

Engineer Company.

Detail of Engineer Coy. duties at Lyeemun from October 1 to 15 have been posted at Headquarters.

Parades.

Monday October 2:—5.15 p.m. Left, Centre, Right Sections M.G. Co., Scouts Company and Civil Service Coy. outside Courts of Justice and proceed by car to Happy Valley. 5.30 p.m. Recruits of all units at Hdqrs. under Corpl. Grimes. Signalling Section "A" class at R. A. Theatre.

Tuesday October 3:—5.30 p.m. Stretcher Bearer Section at Hdqrs. Signalling Section "B" class at R. A. Theatre. 5.30 p.m. Mounted Section on Polo Ground.

Wednesday October 4:—5.40 p.m. Signalling Section "A" class at R. A. Theatre.

Thursday October 5:—5.30 p.m. Signalling Section "B" class at R. A. Theatre.

Friday October 6:—5.30 p.m Recruits of all units at Hdqrs. C. S. M. Witchell and Corpl. Grimes will attend. Arty. Batty. 10 pr. B. L. gun drill at Gun Club Hill. Sergt. Bradley will attend. Hongkong residents parade at Star Ferry Wharf, H. K., 5 p.m.

Saturday October 7:—2.30 p.m. Recruits Engineer Company Musketry Standard Test King's Park Range. An officer and I. N. C. Os. of Engineer Company to attend. Officer i/c Butts, Captain Preston.

Sunday October 8:—9.00 a.m. Recruits Scouts Company Musketry Standard Test King's Park Range. An officer and I. N. C. Os. of Scouts Company to attend. Officer i/c Butts, Captain Preston.

Detail.

On duty October 1, Left Section M.G.Co.; October 2, Right Section M.G.Co.; October 3, No. 2 Section Arty. Batty.; October 4, Scouts Company; October 5, Scouts Company; October 6, Scouts Company; October 7, Scouts Company October 15, Scouts Company; October 16, Civil Service Coy.; October 17, Artillery Battery; October 18, Belchers 6 Section; October 19, Belchers 6 Section; October 20, Centre Section M. G. Co.; October 21, Right Section M.G. Co.

Orderly Officer from October, 1 to 7, Lieut. Hutchison; from October 15 to 21, Lieut. Danby.

FROM A HONGKONG SCOUT.

Interesting Letter from Verdun.

Scoutmaster Braga kindly forwards us the following letter which he has received from a one-time Hongkong Boy Scout—Mr. A. F. Demie, formerly employed at Kowloon Docks, who is now fighting in the French ranks.

Sector postal 63.

22.8.16.

Dear Scoutmaster Braga.

As I have a few minutes of spare time I am dropping you this line to inquire about your health, hoping you are always in *bonne sante*, and same to all Brother Scouts. I am at present in Verdun; I have been here since a month and am accustom-to the place. As you know, we are in fear of a famine here. We have been short of food for three long days, as it had already been raining almost continually for weeks. We long for the rain, but we do not wish it to rain in that way. This is all the news I can give you. I believe I will be transferred to Salonique. I hope you will write to me oftener. I will be extremely glad if you can send me some old books, Scout text books, etc. But don't you send me any money as I have enough to spend here. I had some cash of my own when I left home. Tell Edwards that I send my best chin-chins and will write him next time.

With best regards to all Brother Scouts and same to self.

I remain,

Your brother scout,

ADOLPHE.

Please give me big Pronchandy's address if you find it possible.

COMMITTED FOR TRIAL.

Husband's Alleged Attempted Murder.

Before Mr. J. R. Wood, at the Police Court this afternoon, Ngai Tin-po was charged with attempted murder of his wife at Hunghom on August 29.

Mr. T. H. King (Assistant Superintendent of Police) prosecuted and Mr. Otto Kong-sing defended.

In outlining the facts of the case, Mr. King said the parties were married in Hongkong years ago. The defendant went away to Singapore for sometime, and whilst he was away the woman failed to receive any support from him. She went to live at Hunghom, where she had since earned her living by selling vegetables and by general hawking. Defendant came back about two years ago and lived in Hongkong, not going to live with her. In April of this year they went before the Secretary for Chinese Affairs in consequence of domestic unhappiness, but they still continued to live apart. On August 28, the man went to the woman's house in Cook Street, Yaumati, and asked her to go with him to Hongkong, but she refused. She said that he then threatened to kill her. On the following day he saw her again and said he was going to live with her. They went to bed at about nine o'clock but she had previously told the inhabitants that she was frightened. She went to sleep, but early in the morning he suddenly attacked her and struck her with a chopper, inflicting a severe wound in the neck. She screamed, and neighbours came rushing in to her rescue. When charged at the station, defendant said:—"I did stab her. I did intend to stab her." The woman was sent to hospital and was there for twenty-two days.

After evidence was given, defendant was committed for trial, the defence being reserved.

Captain Chambers Killed.

We regret to notice in the *Times*, a correction notifying the death of Captain C.C. Chambers, R.G.A., who was of the local garrison at the outbreak of war. Captain Chambers was first reported wounded.

HONGKONG V.A.D.

Inspection of No. 1 Detachment.

The No. 1 Hongkong Voluntary Aid Detachment, which has been formed in the Colony during the war, under Lady May, had its first annual inspection at the Military Hospital this morning, when His Excellency the General Officer Commanding, Major General Ventris, inspected the corps and remarked upon the great usefulness of such a body. Lady May, the Commandant, was in charge, and besides Major General Ventris there were also present, Lieut.-Col. Crisp, and Mr. E Ralphs, Superintendent in charge of the District.

The members of the detachment, who looked exceedingly smart in their attractive uniforms, were inspected by the General, following which Lady May presented her report, which was as follows:—

During the year the Detachment has been officially registered in England as the No. 1 Hongkong Voluntary Aid Detachment of the St. John Ambulance Brigade Overseas.

In Government Notification No. 79 of 25th February, 1916, republished in Routine Orders of 4th March, 1916, it was announced that the Detachment is, until further Orders, liable to be called up for duty in aid of the Nursing Staff of the Military Forces of the Colony. Mobilisation Orders being placed in the hands of Lady May, Commandant of the Detachment, and in Routine Orders of 23rd Sept., 1916, the wearing of the Brigade Uniform by all ranks was formally recognised by the General Officer Commanding.

Table 1 shows the present strength of the Detachment to-day as compared with that in September 1915. Not only have the members increased, but what is more important, there has been a great advance in proficiency. This is due very largely to the kindly interest of Surgeon General Hoskyn, Dr. Koch, Dr. Basil Taylor, Dr. Alice Hickling, Dr. Agnes McGregor and Mrs. Tisdall, who have generously given their valuable time to act as examiners and lecturers to the Detachment. At the same time I have to record my appreciation of the enthusiastic work not only of medical officers, but of all Officers, Section Leaders and Members.

Training.—This has been carried out:—(a) By lectures given in Oct., Nov., Dec., 1915 and Jan. 1916 at the Military Hospital by Major Black, Capt. Scales, Colonel Crisp and Surgeon-General Hoskyn; (b) By the Section-Leaders Mrs. Fleming, Mrs. Nicoll, Mrs. McKenny and Mrs. Tisdall, who have since May held at least 2 Section Meetings per month; (c) By the monthly competition held at the Military Hospital, where Dr. Alice Hickling, Dr. Agnes McGregor, Mrs. Churchill and Sister Baker have kindly acted as Judges; (d) By the attendance of 15 Members at the Military Hospital where they have received training and instruction; (e) By the attendance of 9 members at the Military Hospital for special work, such as Dispensing, Stewards, Store Clerks, Theatre Work etc.; (f) By the attendance of 8 Members at the Government Civil Hospital, where they have gained much experience.

The training has been more generally practical during the last year, and the result is very satisfactory.

In August, the Misses A. and P. Gordon, Mrs. Arthur, Mrs. Goldsmith, the Misses L. and G. Ellis, Miss Judah and Mrs. Mansfield received thanks from the Hongkong Government for their services at the Government Civil Hospital.

Hospital Duty.—In addition to regular attendance of Members at Hospital for Training and Duty, Mrs. Nichol (Trained Nurse) took Relief Duty at the Military Hospital during a period of 2 weeks.

I should here like to pay a tribute of respect and gratitude to the memory of one of our members, Mrs. Lack, whose sudden death this week we very much deplore. She rendered us great help in the past.

Camp Duty.—From the 1st to the 10th of January, 1916, Mrs. Churchill, Assist. Commandant, took charge of the Field Hospital at the Fanling Camp of the Cadet Coy. H.K.V. Corps. She was assisted by Mrs. Jackman, Mrs. Ralphs, Mrs. Blair, Mrs. Fleming and Mrs. James, each of whom attended two days. The Asst. Commandant reported that the V. A. D. Members who assisted were enthusiastic and willing and performed their duties very satisfactorily.

Appointments.—(a) In September, Mrs. Churchill Asst. Commandant was appointed to take Night Duty at the Victoria Hospital until further orders. (b) Miss G. Woodcock has been seconded for service in the London Hospital. (c) Miss E. Woodcock has been seconded for service at Gifford House V.A.D. Hospital; in December 1915, Dr. Agnes McGregor became a medical officer of the Detachment; in March, 1916, Mrs. Edkins was permitted to resign her duties as Adjutant and Mrs. Ralphs was appointed in her place; in May Lady May left the Colony for Japan and Mrs. Churchill became Acting Commandant until Lady May's return in July. Mrs. Tisdall, Mrs. Fleming and Mrs. Nicoll became Section Leaders.

Competition Results.—The winners at the Monthly Competitions were:—May: Trophy, Mrs. W. Armstrong; Section, Mrs. McKenny's. June: Trophy, Mrs. Carter; Section, Mrs. Nicoll's. July: Trophy, Miss Worters; Section; Mrs. Tisdall's, Mrs. Fleming's. Annual: Trophy, Miss Wilkinson; Section, Mrs. Tisdall's.

Annual "Efficiency Test".—Of the 49 Members (excluding Supernumeraries and Probationers) now actually present in the Colony or on short leave; 3 have been "Excused", 4 have not qualified, and the remaining 42 have been recognised as Efficient in First Aid and Home Nursing.

My special thanks are due to Mrs. Edkins and Mrs. Ralphs, who during the period under review, discharged successively the arduous duties of Adjutant and Secretary of the Detachment in the most able and helpful manner.

I should also like to record my grateful thanks to the Superintendent in charge of the district, Mr. E Ralphs, who at all times has given me valuable assistance.

In addressing the Detachment, the General said he was glad to be honoured to be asked to inspect them, though he did not think he was qualified to do so, but had had the opinion of those who were most qualified to know. Seeing them all together like that, he realised what a substantial addition they were to the medical forces of the Colony. He had occasionally travelled on the Peak Tramway with individual members in their pretty uniform, but their smiling faces no doubt hid an aching heart as they wondered whether they were going to pass the pitiless examiner. (Laughter.) Afterwards he had read in his paper that all was well. He had lately been privileged to inspect their books and records, and he must say that he was astonished at what he found there. According to their rules, only twelve practices or attendances were compulsory, but few ladies had been content with that. He found that over twenty was no uncommon figure and even some had been as many as fifty, sixty or seventy times. One lady had attended 86 practices. He was not going to mention any names, perhaps for fear of the consequences (Laughter). He had always admired those ladies in various branches of sport, but now he would have a deeper and more respectful admiration. He understood that the unit was formed since the beginning of the war, and, of course, their object was to meet an emergency. Had they been in existence before the war, their services might have been most useful, for there was always the likelihood of this Colony being attacked and the hospitals full. It was a year ago when the Director of Medical Services first brought them to his notice and considered them efficient, although it was only last February that they were formally recognised. He was proud they belonged to the Medical Services of the Garrison. It was a matter for their consideration as to whether they were going to disband or not at the end of the war. Of course their object was war, but in a Colony like this they might have a revolution or an epidemic which would overflow their hospitals. Besides that, a lady who had had that kind of training, whether she was wife, daughter or mother, was certainly more useful in her own house. Another reason why they should not disband was because they really enjoyed their work and they were known to be what in their rules they aspired to be, "a happy family".

The proceedings were brought to a close by photographs being taken.

THIRTY AIR FIGHTS.

Good Record by Hongkong Lad.

Below we give some extracts from a letter received by Mr. F. Coleman, of Green Island Lighthouse, from his son, 2nd. Lieut. F. H. Coleman, who is at present on service in France:—

14.8.16.

. . . . . I have now been in France three months and have had quite a successful time. I've had about 30 fights and have brought down two Fokkers, one Albatross and one observation sausage. Unfortunately, the machines all fell in the enemy lines.

We are now down in the "big push" and are flying five hours a day.

To-day week, I am going Home for a week's leave, when I hope to see Robin and the others.

I think it is great of Hongkong to subscribe £10,000 a year to the R. F. C. Hospital, and, if I get wounded, I will apply to go there, as I am a Hongkong boy.

By the way, you know I got another star, making me a Temporary Lieutenant; well, in the *Gazette* of the 6th August I appeared as being confirmed in the rank of Second Lieutenant (Regular Army), so I have got to drop my Temporary rank of Lieutenant, and now take my promotion in order from the R. F. C.

Yesterday when I came down off patrol, who should I see on the aerodrome but Captain Stockwell (British American Tobacco Co.)? He is very close to us, and is coming over to our Mess to dinner to-night.

POLICE RESERVE ORDERS.

Orders issued to-day by Mr. F. C. Jenkin, D. S. P. (Reserve) state:—

Defaulters' Parade Cancellation.

Misunderstanding having arisen in connection with certain reports of absence from Parade without permission, the Drill ordered for Saturday, Sept. 30, at 4.30 p.m. is hereby cancelled.

Absence from Parades.

All ranks, whatever the requirements of their private affairs may be, must obtain permission from their officers to be absent from any Parade or Drill.

Joined.

Band.—J. C. de Souza.

Promotion.

The Hon. C.S. P. has approved of the appointment of Orowa-Sergeants B. W. Tape and C. C. Moon to the rank of Inspector.

Parades: Central Station 5.30 p.m.

Monday, Oct. 2.—No. 3 Company and No. 4 Company (except Recruits).

Tuesday, Oct. 3.—Nos 1, 3, and 4 Sections of No. 1 Company. Maxim Gunners. Recruits of No. 4 Company under C. S. Major. Also No. 2 Section at Water Police Station.

Wednesday, Oct. 4.—Recruits of No. 2 Platoon under C. S. Major.

Thursday, Oct. 5.—Recruits of No. 4 Company under C. S. Major.

Friday, Oct. 6.—No. 2 Company. Maxim Gunners. Recruits of No. 2. Platoon under C. S. Major.

Billiard Championship.

The final between Cr. Sergeant 857 Rosario and P.C. 754 Mutton will by played at Headquarters' Club on Monday, October 2 at 5 30 p.m.

DEFENCE OF BRITISH INDUSTRIES.

Engineers' Decision.

An important conference representative of the engineering and shipbuilding industries of Scotland was held in the City Chambers, Glasgow, and it was decided to form a central organisation of these industries to cope with German competition after the war. About 250 firms were represented.

Mr. W. Rowan Thomson, Chairman of the North-West Engineering Trades Employers' Association, moved the first resolution, which was in the following terms:

That in view of the unprecedented situation created by the war and the uncertainty of the future this Meeting is of opinion that all engineering firms in England and Scotland should come together under a strong central organisation capable of dealing with important questions that will certainly arise in the near future; and that the existing organisations connected with engineering should also receive wholehearted support in order that they may be strong to achieve the objects for which they were created.

The cost of the war, he said, made it our imperative duty so to organize our industries as to develop our existing and potential sources of wealth as rapidly as possible. That object could only be achieved by the elimination of internal rivalry, personal dislike, and what was called class war. We had now no margin left for the dissipation of energy in those unamiable and deleterious pursuits. Some might say that the first step was to secure the establishment of a Ministry of Industry. He did not agree with that, and thoroughly endorsed the Prime Minister's opinion that salvation would not come through the multiplication of Government Departments, which he viewed with alarm and distrust. What they wanted was to organize themselves to assist the existing Government Departments in leaving the industries alone to manage their own business, which they understood better than any politician or permanent official.

Sir John Cowan, Edinburgh, seconded the resolution, which was adopted. A committee was then appointed to inquire into and report on the form which the organisation should take.

LANGKAT OUTPUT.

Messrs. Benjamin and Potts advise us that the Langkat output is as follows:—

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"	26	... ...	"	108
"	27	... ...	"	111
"	28	... ...	"	125
Total to 28th inst.				3,083
Daily average				110.01

For Wounded Soldiers.

The Union Church Ladies' Working Party has this month sent a case to the Highland Casualty Clearing Station containing the following articles:—486 rolled bandages, 61 milk covers, 23 eye bandages, 5 kimono jackets, 9 pairs of surgical stockings, 12 caps, 20 pairs of socks, 4 pairs of cuffs, 14 suits of pyjamas, 10 shirts and 2 rugs.

"CAROLINE."

Successful Presentation at the Theatre Royal.

"Caroline," the latest of Somerset Maugham's comedies, was staged by the Howitt Phillips Company at the Theatre Royal last night, and it gave great delight to all who witnessed the production. The play calls for no laboured unravelling of complexities on the part of the audience; in point of fact, it is very thin in "plot." But it is a most delightful character study, showing the author at his best, and sparkles throughout with the happiest epigrams and the most poinsed repartee. The characters, too, are very finely drawn, and the audience is irresistibly compelled to follow every word spoken and every act reflected. In the hands of the Howitt Phillips Company—there are only seven characters in the play—all its charms were brought out to the full, and the performance must be written down as an unqualified success.

The action of the play revolves around the alternating moods of Caroline (Miss Gertrude Godhart), who for some years has lived apart from her husband and who has struck up something more than a friendship for a middle-aged barrister, Robert Oldham (Mr. Charles Howitt), marriage with whom appears possible on the husband's death. With the way made open, however, both parties simultaneously find that they have no great keenness for the matrimonial venture. A report that the husband still lives, however, revives the old feeling, but this report eventually proves to be false and the play ends with Caroline and Robert in each other's arms. During the course of the play, other men come within the influence of Caroline's caprice, and these characters are very cleverly utilised by the author. The main idea of the play is that the unattainable is ideal until within grasp, but here we have two characters who rise above the ordinary rule.

It will easily be seen that there are two main characters in the piece, and on these the greater part of the work falls. Miss Godhart added another success to her high reputation as an actress by her remarkably convincing study of the name part. In it she had great scope for dramatic talent, and she never lost grip of the situation for one moment. Great versatility was demanded of her in interpretating the manifold moods of Caroline, but she was always equal to the occasion. Mr. Howitt was good on the whole, though we have seen him in roles which better suited him. There were moments when he acted with distinct cleverness, but generally he was a trifle too heavy for the part. Mr. Wheeler Dryden had a difficult task in the part of the gloomy young man about town, and he seemed rather conscious of the fact, Miss Lillian Stanbridge was a huge success as the inquisitive but good-hearted friend of Caroline, while Miss Isobel Fladgate, as the other other friend, also acted extremely well. Mr. Percy Haverstock's handling of the part of Caroline's doctor was just what it should be, while Miss Grace Ray was at home in the part of the maid.

"The Morals of Marcus" is being presented to-night.

Union Church.

Amongst the passengers due by the s.s. Empress of Asia are the Revd. and Mrs. J. K. Macconachie, who went to Japan to recuperate and were detained by the illness and decease of their son. The reverend gentleman will resume his duties as Pastor of Union Church, preaching morning and evening on Sunday.

LATEST SHIPPING NEWS.

MOVEMENT OF STEAMERS.

The C. P. O. S. s.s. EMPRESS OF JAPAN leaves Kobe on Sept. 28, at 11 a.m.

GENERAL SHIPPING NEWS.

German Shipping Prospects.

Amsterdam, Sept. 16.— The *Cologne Gazette* damps the optimistic expectations of a great future for German shipping after the war. It admits that the shipping has suffered worse than any industry and the situation is becoming monthly more anxious. The journal contrasts the prosperity of the French and Italian shipping and appeals for assistance from the imperial funds.

Oil Versus Coal Fuel.

One of the outcomes of the present war will be further proof of the benefits to be derived by the adoption of oil engines of the Diesel and semi-Diesel class for the coasting and ocean-going craft for which the trade to the Far East, on account of the facilities for replenishing the oil bunkers along the route appears to offer special inducements that have led to the Glen Line following the lead of the Esst Asiatic Co. in placing motor ships on the run to China. The shipping news frequently mentions that certain motor vessels arrived in port, replenished their oil tanks, and were ready to proceed to sea again in a few hours. Such a performance is quite impossible when bunkering with coal, as not only does one ton of coal take longer to put abroad than a similar quantity of oil, but more often than not, especially with merchant ships, the vessel has to wait its turn at the pipe, whereas with oil a flexible pipe line can be carried across several ships if necessary. Another, and far more important, point in favour of the oil engine, is that the radius of a vessel so driven is considerably greater than if steam engines were adopted. A good example of this claim is the case of the Endurance, under the command of Sir E. Shackleton. To begin with, on the voyage out to Buenos Ayres she ran short of coal owing to bad weather, and was compelled to burn portions of the cabin partitions and other woodwork. Again, referring to the same unfortunate vessel, we read, in the commander's cabled report from Falkland Islands that "coal ran short." Probably never before in the history of the oil engine has a finer proof been given of one of the disadvantages of the steam engine. On the question of initial cost, the steam set is at present in favour, not through being cheaper to build, as the oil engine is far and away a more economical model to construct, but on account of the large demand which enables large turnovers to be made. As soon as the oil engine makers appreciate the absolute necessity of standardising powers, according to the capabilities of their works, there is no reason why a first class marine oil engine of 100 b.h.p. should not be offered at, say, £800, with a sliding scale for the larger powers. This should enable a 500 b.h.p. oil engine to be placed on the market at a figure for which an equivalent steam set could be purchased, which in normal times would be in the region of £4,000, allowing for a high-class make and a fair commercial trading profit, which the increased demand would ensure. Many shipowners appear to be unwilling to appreciate the value of the oil engine, anyway, so far as the British Isles are concerned. At the same time the shipowner is not wholly to blame. Many of the makers of oil engines have standard prices, which, sooner than reduce, they will allow an owner to order steam engines. This can hardly be in the general interests of the internal combustion oil engine industry. Every war has its drawbacks, and the present conflict is likely to lead many of the engineering firms astray, as some of them are receiving orders automatically, and at prices which show enormous profits. After the war things will be entirely different, and competition keener than ever. The first few years after peace is proclaimed will act as a new beginning in many ways, and it is during this period that makers of oil engines and firms who ought to adopt them, will have an opportunity of entirely reversing their present "grooved" methods in favour of of a broader policy.—*Exchange.*

The Late Captain Gray.

Regarding the late Capt Gray, "Shellback" writes to the *Singapore Free Press*:—Capt. Joseph Gray arrived in Singapore in 1880 as chief mate of the British ship Sarah Nicholson. She had been in collision with another sailing ship in Ombay Passage, north of Timor Deli. The Sarah Nicholson was sold here and converted into a cargo hulk for the O. S. S. Co. at Belawan Deli. Capt Gray had a wide knowledge and experience of the East. He was in command of the Celestial, Banca, Australind, and Capt. Rees' Paknam on the North Borneo run, before he commanded the Singapore. He was always willing to assist members of his profession and his death is deeply regretted by a large number of men sailing from the Port.

China Coast Gazette.

Mr F. H. Jeune, chief officer, Wenchow, has gone chief officer, Wuhu. Mr J. Andrews, acting chief officer, Wuhu, has gone second officer, Chenan. Mr J. A. Gibson, second officer, Chenan, is on reserve. Captain E. B. Jones, of the Ngankin, is on leave. Mr J. Peacock, from reserve, has gone acting master, Ngankin. Mr T. S. Vernon, second officer, Kuenho, has gone second, officer, Kutwo. Mr R. Stephen, second officer, Kutwo, is on reserve. Captain G. Pullip, from leave, has gone master, Tuckwo. Mr C. Campbell, acting master, Tuckwo, has gone chief officer, same ship. Mr W. Moore, acting chief officer, Tuckwo, has gone second officer, same ship. Mr J. Grainger, second officer, Tuckwo, has gone supernumerary second officer, same ship. Mr T. Grant, chief officer, Fooksang, has gone acting master, Waishing. Mr C. Leys, second officer, Fooksang, has gone chief officer, same ship. Mr C. T. Everington, from reserve, has gone second officer, Fooksang. Captain M. Picknell, of the Waishing is on leave. Mr C. Anderson has been appointed second officer, Haean. Mr J. B. Shea Lawlor, supernumerary, Kwanglee, has gone chief officer, Haifung. Mr L. H. J. Tinney has been appointed second officer, Kwanglee. Mr. H. Langrand, second officer, Haean, has resigned. Mr. H. Bridge, chief officer, Chingchow, has resigned. Mr. H. Conway has been appointed chief officer, Chingchow. Mr. F. C. Novik, chief officer, Charles Hardouin, has resigned. Mr. T. Maddicott has been appointed chief officer, Charles Hardouin. Mr. W. Anderson has been appointed chief officer. Onlee. Mr. F. W. Jones has been appointed second officer, Kinshan. Mr. M. T. Perez, second officer, Kinshan, has gone chief officer, Suitai.—*Shipping and Engineering.*

Australia and its Coal Embargo.

The United States commercial Attache at Melbourne makes the following report to his Government:—"The embargo on the export of coal from Australia, established some time ago by the Commonwealth Government, has it now appears, a certain bearing upon United States shipping in the Pacific. The reason for the coal embargo, it may reasonably be assumed, is to facilitate the export of wheat, there being at present something like 135,000,000 bushels in the hands of the Wheat Board, which is held up on account of shortage of tonnage. The interpretation of the coal embargo, according to reliable information, is that a permit for the export of coal will not be given to any vessel that can carry wheat. Recently the Ayrian secured a permit to load coal at the same time that the Star of Holland was definitely refused. These vessels are United States sailers, capable of carrying 3,500 tons deadweight of coal. They had come down from the Pacific Coast of the United States with cargoes of lumber; they desired to proceed with coal to Chile, and there load nitrate for San Francisco. It was impossible for the Wheat Board to secure insurance on the Ayrian, because it was not tight. The Star of Holland, however, being suitable for carrying wheat, had to proceed to Chile in ballast. This would seem to indicate that only leaky United States sailers can expect to load coal and secure a profitable round voyage. It would be a case of the poorest being the best. For the first time in twenty years it is possible to refer to 'United States shipping' in these waters. Old sailing vessels, many of small size, have emerged from creeks on the Pacific Coast and are running down to Australia with cargoes of timber. At present there are five such sailers in the port of Melbourne and twelve more are on the way. As a rule they return to the United States empty, endeavouring to lose no time in picking up another timber cargo at high freight rates."

Steel Shipbuilding at Sydney, N.S.

In the past very few steel vessels have been built in Nova Scotia, those turned out by the few shipyards able to undertake steel construction in the Province being without exception small vessels for local trade. Recently, however, there has been considerable agitation in Nova Scotia for the initiation of a real steel shipbuilding industry able to undertake the construction of large tonnage, and although it has been rumoured at intervals that large British firms intended laying down shipyards in the Province, nothing of a concrete nature has as yet been done, perhaps on account of the war. In 1911 parties interested in the creation of a steel shipbuilding industry at Sydney, said:—"Sydney has advantages for the establishment of a shipbuilding plant not exceeded by any other port in the world; it is in the heart of the largest coal-producing area of Canada; it has a great steel plant within its borders; with ores for its use right at hand, capable of rolling sheets of the largest dimensions as well as rolling channels and ordinary sections required for the construction of steel ships, and a forging plant adapted to marine work; it is located on one of the best harbours on the Atlantic coast near great commercial centres of the United States, and is nearer Europe than any Atlantic port on the mainland." Other advantages were set forth, and an association of British shipbuilders entered into negotiations with the city of Sydney. These were carried on during the first part of 1912, with every indication that the hopes of the promoters would be realised, especially as on June 4, 1912, the voters confirmed the agreement entered into between the city and the company. In brief, this agreement obligated the Company to spend 5,000,000 dols. in building a graving dock to meet with the Dominion Government's specifications, 1,150 feet in length, 135 feet in width, and having a depth of water admitting the largest ships afloat. The company was also to spend 1,000,000 dols. on a fully equipped shipbuilding plant, having electric cranes, marine railways, shipways, channels, woodworking and boiler shops, pattern houses, and all other equipment necessary for a plant capable of constructing ships of 20,000 tons register, and when in operation to employ not less than 2,000 men. The city voted the company 1,000,000 dols., to be paid in city bonds bearing 4½ per cent. interest and running 50 years, with payments in four separate instalments. The first 250,000 dols. was to be paid upon completion of the shipbuilding plant and dry-dock, with proof that 6,000,000 dols. had been expended; the second 250,000 dols. to be paid upon the launching of the first ship built by the company. The two other instalments were to be paid later, the last in 1930, and both subject to the condition that the plant had been in continuous operation. The city further agreed that the assessment valuation of the plant for taxing purposes should be 500,000 dols. for the first ten years. In addition to the bonus voted by the city of Sydney, the company, by building the graving dock agreeably to Government specifications, was to receive a yearly subsidy of 3½ per cent. on 4,000,000 dols., to be given for 35 years by the Dominion of Canada. The agreement called for construction work to commence on or before July, 1913, and the plant to be completed before July 1, 1920. Work was never started, but with the renewed interest in shipping and shipbuilding, the project may be revived, although the labour problem is now so serious as to dampen the enthusiasm of capitalists.

For the Vacuum Oil Co.

Recently the ocean-going motor oiler launched in the United States took the water at Baltimore from the shipyard of the Baltimore Dry Docks and Shipbuilding Co. She is one of an order of four originally laid down for the Transatlantic Motor Ship Co., of Christiania. This ship, says the *Journal of Commerce* has since been sold to the Vacuum Oil Co., of New York, and has been named Bramell Point by her new owners. Like her three consorts still on the ways, the Bramell Point measures 306ft. over all, 293ft. between perpendiculars, 47ft. beam, and 28ft. depth moulded. The draught loaded is 22ft., the oil being contained in thirteen separate tanks formed by the shell of the vessel and divisional bulkheads, the total tank capacity being 4,500 and gross register about 3,500 tons. The machinery and living quarters are located aft, there being a funnel acting as uptake for the boiler and also containing exhaust from motors; there are three masts, the mizzen fitted with a short derrick boom for handling stores and fore and main each having heavy cargo booms; served by powerful winches. There is a raised forecastle forward for seagoing purposes, housing in the windlass. The motive power of each of the first four vessels will consist of three four-cylinder Bolinder oil engines of 600 b.h.p. each, the fuel oil for these motors being carried in a tank compartment adjacent to the engine room with a capacity of 500 tons of heavy oil. The hull construction is on the Isherwood system of longitudinal framing to class 100 A1 to Lloyd's. Each tank space goes across the ship from side to side, having a longitudinal oil-tight bulkhead, there being six such transverse compartments forming twelve tanks. The upper portion of the tank space in the wings on each side is separate, the main tanks being carried up and forming a continuous expansion trunk running over all the tanks, the wing tanks being available for extra cargo when weather conditions will permit deeper loading. There are trimming tanks forward and aft, also a cargo hold forward, with pump room aft of this. The question of auxiliaries has been carefully worked out, also the piping arrangements for handling and heating the oil, and for navigating and operating the vessels, so that the expense of operation will be reduced to a minimum without in any way sacrificing the efficiency of loading, unloading and transporting the cargo. An oil-fired Scotch boiler and a small donkey boiler, also oil-fired, are installed aft over the motor compartment, supplying sufficient steam for operating the cargo pump, windlass, heating coils, winches, and a 10 k.w. electric generating set. The main electric generating set which is of 35, k.w. capacity is motor-driven by a Bolinder oil engine. The steering engine is electrically driven, as are also the sanitary pumps, with this arrangement while at sea no steam need be used at all, unless the temperature is so low as to make heating the oil a necessity, the donkey boiler alone being of sufficient capacity to heat the living quarters if desired. When in port discharging cargo, the full capacity of the steam plant is required. The motive power selected is inexpensive in first cost and extremely economical in operating, using but 6lbs of fuel per b.p. hour; while being easy of control and requiring but few men to handle, and those not highly paid. The sea speed will be about 11½ knots, and in view of the excellent past performances of Bolinder motors there is every reason to trust that all the expectations of the designers and owners will be borne out by the actual operation of these tankers. In addition to the four motor driven vessels referred to above, the Baltimore Dry Docks and Shipbuilding Co. also has on order three oilers of similar size which will be driven by Parsons turbines with reduction gear.

HONGKONG SHARE REPORT.

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North Chinas	b.	t. 155
Unions	n.	$920
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FIRE INSURANCES.		
China Fires	b.	$154
H. K. Fires	b.	$385
SHIPPING.		
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Steamboats	b.	$22½
Indos (Def.)	b. & sa.	$133½
Indos (Pref.)	b.	$46
Shells	b.	111/-
Ferries	b.	$27½
REFINERIES.		
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Malabons	b.	$36½
MINING		
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Langkats	b.	t. 25
Raubs	n.	$2.75
Tronohs	n.	30/-
Urals	n.	34/-
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S'hai Docks	sa.	t. 90
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Land Invest.	b.	$101
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K'loon Lands	n.	$38
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West Points	n.	$88
COTTON MILLS.		
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Yangtszepoos	n.	t. 5.40
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Providents	b.	$9
Dairy Farms	s.	$40
Green Islands	b.	$10.40
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U. Waterboats	n.	$17.00
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4 m/s.	2/2 9/16
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T/T Singapore	93 ⅛
T/T Japan	102 ¼
T/T India	162 ¼
Demand, India	162 ¾
T/T San Francisco & New York	52
T/T Java	125 ¾
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4 m/s. Marks	Nom.
4 m/s. France	3.17
6 m/s. France	3.22
Demand, Germany	—
Demand, New York	52 ⅛
T/T Bombay	—
Demand, Bombay	162¾
T/T Calcutta	—
Demand, Calcutta	162¾
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GEO P. LAMMERT, Auctioneer.

NOTICES.

G. R.

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on Monday, the 2nd day of October, 1916, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of One Lot of Crown Land at Kowloon, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 75 years.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

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MAILS DUE.

Europe (London 30th Aug., via Siberia)—Per LUCHOW, 30th Sept.

MAILS CLOSE TO-DAY.

Saigon—Per TUNGSHING, 29th Sept., 5 p.m.

Fort Bayard—Per SUIKAI, 29th Sept., 5 p.m.

TO-MORROW.

Hongay—Per TONGLEE, 30th Sept., 8 a.m.

Saigon—Per FAUSANG, 30th Sept., 8 a.m.

Straits & India via Bombay—Per HUDSON MARU, 30th Sept., 9 a.m.

Chinwangtao—Per KENKON MARU, 30th Sept., 10 a.m.

Hoihow & Haiphong—Per HONGKONG, 30th Sept., 11 a.m.

Saigon—Per BOURBON, 30th Sept., 11 a.m.

Philippine Isl.—Per YUENSANG, 30th Sept., 2 p.m.

Shanghai & N. China—Per ANHUI, 30th Sept., 5 p.m.

Swatow, Shanghai & N. China—Per WOSANG, 30th Sept., 5 p.m.

SUNDAY 1st October.

Swatow, Amoy & Formosa via Keelung—Per AMAKUSA MARU, 1st Oct., 9 a.m.

Swatow & Bangkok—Per CHANGCHOW, 1st Oct., 9 a.m.

Swatow & Bangkok—Per DRUFAR, 1st Oct., 9 a.m.

MONDAY, 2nd October.

Philippine Isl.—Per IXION, 2nd Oct., 9 a.m.

TUESDAY, 3rd October.

Swatow, Amoy & Foochow—Per HAIHONG, 3rd Oct., 1.30 p.m.

Philippine Isl.—Per TEAN, 3rd Oct., 3 p.m.

Shanghai & N. China—Per LUCHOW, 3rd Oct., 3 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, 4th October.

American Mail. Shanghai, N. China & Japan via Nagasaki, Honolulu & San Francisco—Per TENYO MARU, 4th Oct., Registration 9.15 a.m. Letters 10 a.m.

American Canadian & Siberian Mails. Shanghai, N. China, Japan via Nagasaki, Victoria, Vancouver, United States, South America, & United Kingdom via Canada (Europe via Siberia)—Per EMPRESS OF ASIA, 4th Oct., Registration 9.45 a.m. Letters 10.30 a.m.

[Shanghai Ch. P.O. Saturday, 7th Oct.]

THURSDAY, 5th October.

English Mail. Straits, Ceylon, India, Aden, Egypt, Durban, Johnnesburg, Cape Town, & United Kingdom—Per KITANO M., 5th Oct., Registration 10.15 a.m. Letters 11 a.m.

Siberian Mail. Shanghai & N. China, (Europe via Siberia)—Per SHANTUNG, 5th Oct., Registration 2.15 p.m. Letters 3 p.m.

[Shanghai Ch. P.O. Monday, 9th Oct.]

FRIDAY, 6th October.

English Mail. Straits, Burmah, Ceylon, Adelaide, Westralia, India, Aden, Egypt & Europe. (The parcel mail will be closed on Thursday, 5th Oct., at 5 p.m.)—Per SARDINIA, 6th Oct., Registration 10.15 a.m. Letters 11 a.m.

SUNDAY, 8th October.

Swatow, Amoy & Foochow—Per HAITAN, 8th Oct., 9 a.m.

MONDAY, 9th October.

Shanghai & N. China, Japan via Kobe—Per KAGA MARU, 9th Oct., 9 a.m.

TUESDAY, 10th October.

Australian Mail. Australia, Tasmania, New Zealand & New Guinea via Thursday Isl.—Per EASTERN, 10th Oct. Registration 9.15 a.m. Letters 10 a.m.

SHIPPING NEWS.

ARRIVED.

Anna, Nor., s.s. 1,017, Arntsen, 28th Sept.—Bangkok, Rice—T. & Co.

Kanchow, Br., s.s. 1,824, Lewis, 28th Sept.—Bangkok, 20th Sept. Gen.—B. & S.

Asakusa M., Jap., s.s. 1,570, Konishi, 29th Sept.—Swatow, 28th Sept., Gen.—O. S. K.

Chefoo, Chi., s.s. 648, Sinclair, 29th Sept.—Saigon, 24th Sept., Rice—Order.

Shunchong, Chi., s.s. 838, Kyle, 29th Sept.—Pakhoi, 24th Sept., Gen.—E. H. Ray.

DEPARTED.

Sept. 27.

Kwangtee for Shanghai

Sept. 28.

Haimun for Hoihow & Singapore
Haitan for Foochow via Swatow
Taming for Iloilo via Amoy
Sinkiang for Shanghai
Sungkiang for Haiphong via Hoihow

CLEARANCES AT THE HARBOUR OFFICE.

Sept. 28.

Knight Companion for Liverpool via Singapore
Choysang for Canton

Sept. 29.

Suikai for K. C. Wan via Macao
Myogisan M. for Hongay
Chengtu for Singapore via Amoy
Hongbee for Singapore via Amoy
Chingchow for Pt Parseval
Haihong for Swatow
Taisho M. for Canton
Pathan for Yokohama via Shanghai

PASSENGERS EXPECTED.

Per s.s. KAGA MARU, from London Aug. 15.

Abe S
Asaba U
Beavan R H
Craig Miss J G
Into H
Lin H
Nakagawa R

WATER RETURN.

Level and Storage of water in Reservoirs on the 1st Sept., 1916.

CITY AND HILL DISTRICT WATER WORKS LEVEL.

	1915.		1916.	
Tytam	1ft. 7in. overflow	Below	1ft. 6in. overflow	Below
Tytam Byewash	5ft. 6in. overflow	Below	5ft. 5in. overflow	Below
Tytam Intermediate	1ft. 4in. overflow	Below	1ft. 8in. overflow	Above
Pokfulum	0ft. 7in. overflow	Below	0ft. 9in. overflow	Below
Wong-nei-chung	33ft. 9in. overflow	Below	34ft. 6in. overflow	Below
Tytam Low Level	NIL.		0ft. 9in. overflow	Below

STORAGE IN MILLIONS AND DECIMALS OF GALLONS.

	1915.	1916.
Tytam	354.85	370.98
Tytam Byewash	3.43	8.14
Tytam Intermediate	177.54	205.43
Pokfulum	65.46	48.74
Wong-nei-chung	2.49	15.96
Tytam Low Level	NIL.	119.65
Total	603.77	678.89

Consumption of water in the City and Hill District in millions and decimals of gallons during the month of Aug., 1916.

	1915	1916	
Consumption	185.58	219.17	M. gallons
Estimated population	261,999	265,519	
Consumption per head per day	22.8	26.7	gallons

Constant supply in all districts during Aug., in both years 1915 and 1916.

KOWLOON WATER WORKS LEVEL.

	1915	1916
Kowloon Gravitation Reservoir	8ft. 4in. Below overflow	0ft. 3in. Below overflow

STORAGE IN MILLIONS AND DECIMALS OF GALLONS.

	1915	1916
Kowloon Gravitation Reservoir	370.50	349.89

Consumption of water in Kowloon in millions and decimals of gallons during the month of Aug., 1916.

	1915	1916	
Consumption	37.85	48.16	M. gallons
Estimated population	96,809	98,600	
Consumption per head per day	12.6	15.8	gallons

The Government Analyst's reports shew that the water is of excellent quality.

A. F. CHURCHILL, Water Authority.

Public Works Department.

WEDNESDAY, 11th October.

American Canadian & Siberian Mails. Shanghai & N. China, Japan via Yokohama, Honolulu, U.S.A., Canada, South America, via San Francisco, (Europe via Siberia)—Per ECUADOR, 11th Oct. Registration 9.15 a.m. Letters 10 a.m.

[Shanghai Ch. P.O. Saturday, 14th Oct.]

American and Siberian Mails. Shanghai & N. China, Japan via Moji, Victoria B.C., & Seattle (Europe via Siberia)—Per SHIDZUOKA M., 11th Oct., Registration 10.15 a.m. Letters 11 a.m.

FRIDAY, 13th October.

Japan via Nagasaki—Per AKI MARU, 13th Oct., 9 a.m.

Australian Mail. Philippine Isl., Australia & New Guinea via Thursday Isl.—Per NIKKO MARU, 13th Oct., Registration 2.15 p.m. Letters 3 p.m.

THE ALEXANDRA CAFE. Just arrived, Fresh assorted American Sweets.

WEATHER REPORT.

On the 29th at 10 59—Pressure has increased slightly in all districts except over the Philippines where it is nearly stationary.

The typhoon entered the coast between Haiphong and Tourane. It is now filling up.

There appears to be a depression to the east of N. Luzon. It may be a typhoon.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.01 inch. Total since January 1st, 79.00 inches, against an average of 75.37 inches.

FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS ENDING AT NOON TO-MORROW

District.	Forecast.
1 Hongkong to Cap Rock	E. winds, moderate; fine.
2 Formosa Channel	N.E. winds, fresh.
3 South coast of China between H.K. and Lamocks	The same as No. 1.
4 South coast of China between H.K. and Hainan	The same as No. 1.

China Coast Meteorological Register. 29th September, a.m.

Station.	Hour.	Barometer.	Temperature.	Humidity.	Winds D'tion.	Winds Force.	Weather.
V'ostock	6a						
Nemuro	5a	29.61			w	5	
Hakodate	"	29.81			n	2	
Tokio	"	29.89			n	2	
Kochi	"	29.88			ssw	1	
Nagasaki	"	29.85			e	1	
K'agima	"	29.86			nw	1	
Oshima	"	29.79			nnw	4	
Naha	"	29.81			ene	1	
Ishi'jima	"	29.84			n	2	
Bonin Is.	"	29.85			ssw	2	
Chefoo	6a						
W'haiwei	"						
Hankow	"						
Ichang	"						
Kiukiang	"						
Changsha	"						
Shanghai	"	29.99	64	80	n	1	o
Gutzlaff	"	29.95	68	65	n	4	o
Sharp P.	"	29.82	75	77	nw	1	o
Amoy	9a	29.89	75	77	re	1	b
Swatow	6a	29.83	72	90	ne	1	b
Taihoku	5a	29.85	66	96	e	2	b
Taichu	"	29.78	68			0	b
Tainan	"	29.75	72		e	2	b
Koshun	"	29.76	77		nne	6	b
P'dores	"	29.76	75		nne	6	b
Canton	6a	29.82	74	95	ene	1	b
H'kong	"	29.80	77	80	e	4	c
Gap Rock	"	29.79			e	5	c
Macao	"	29.76	77	92	ene	4	b
Wuchow	9a						
Pakhoi	"						
Hoihow	"						
Phulien	7a	29.69	73	98	e	7	rf
Tourane	"	29.65	77		wnw	4	o
C. St. J.	"	29.71	75		sw	2	o
Aparri	6	29.69	75	96	sw	2	r
Dagupan	"	29.68	75	93		0	o
Manila	"	29.71	75	88		0	o
Legaspi	"	29.69	77	92	sw	2	o
Tacloban	"						
Iloilo	"	29.69	75	96		0	o
Surigao	"						
Lapuan	"	29.69	78	94	sw	2	b

T. F. CLAXTON, Director.

Hongkong Observatory, Sept. 29, 1916.

1 Barometer, reduced to 32 degrees Fahrenheit on the level of the sea in inches, tenths and hundredths.

2 Temperature, in the shade, in degrees Fahrenheit.

3 Humidity, in percentage of saturation the Humidity of air saturated with moisture being 100.

4 Direction of Wind, to two points.

5 Force of Wind, according to Beaufort Scale.

State of Weather, b blue sky, c detached cloud, d drizzling rain, f fog, g gloomy, h hail, l lightning, o overcast, p passing showers, q squally, r rain, s snow, t thunder, v visibility, w dew wet.

METEOROLOGICAL.

	Previous Day 8 a.m.	On date 10 a.m.	On date 4 p.m.
Barometer	29.81	29.86	29.86
Temperature	80	77	81
Humidity	75	80	72
Wind Direction	E	E	E
" Force	5	4	4
Weather	cq	c	c
Rain	2.36	0.00	0.01

Highest open air Temperature on the 28th to 8 a.m. 86 " " " " 77

H.K. Observatory, September 29, 1916.

T. F. CLAXTON, Director.

TIDE TABLE.

From 25th Sept. to 1st Oct., 1916.

Day of Week	Day of Month	High Water Heights Mean Time	ft.	in.	Low Water Heights Mean Time	ft.	in.
Mon.	25	m 7	6	5	m 1	0	7
Tues.	26	m 7	6	3	m 1	0	5
Wed.	27	m 8	6	2	m 2	0	4
Thur.	28	m 9	6	1	m 3	0	3
Fri.	29	m 10	6	1	m 3	0	3
Sat.	30	m 11	6	2	m 4	0	3
Sun.	1	m 0	6	3	m 4	0	4
		m 1	6	4	m 5	0	5

m morning, a afternoon.

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THURSDAY, October 5th.
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FRIDAY, October 6th.
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